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EYE-WITNESS'S GRAPHIC STORY OF EXPLOSION HAVOC.

CONSULATE "MIRACLE."

The first authentic detailed story of the frightful catastrophe at Yunnan-fu recently, when hundreds were killed in the explosion of an explosives' store, comes to hand this morning from an eye-witness of the disaster, the Rev. R. F. Lankester, who played an heroic part in the subsequently heart-breaking task of rescue.

Mr. Lankester gives a graphic description of the terrible havoc wreaked by the explosion. Over a thousand buildings were razed to the ground, and hundreds of people were buried alive.

Miraculous escapes from death were many. Rescuers digging at the ruins of a house 60 hours after the explosion occurred, found a woman, buried eight feet below, still alive!

The British Consulate had an amazing experience. The roof was carried clean away and the inner walls were completely wrecked, but the outer walls were left standing. Contrary to earlier reports, the Consul, Mr. Kirke, escaped injury.

WOMAN BURIED FOR 60 HOURS!

Mr. Lankester, telling the effects of the explosion, says foreigners in the city had a wonderful escape, none being injured. The Bible Society house was practically destroyed, whilst all that remains of the British Consulate are the outer walls, the roof being carried away, as well as the exterior walls. At the time of writing, the British Consul and Mr. Kirke were staying in the Church Missionary Society's hospital compound. All the C.M.S. property is intact, except for a few broken windows.

It is interesting to note that Mr. and Mrs. Kirke were married so recently—June 8th. Mrs. Kirke was formerly a C.M.S. missionary and went through the troubles of 1926 in Nanking, where she was attending the Language School. She has, therefore, had her share of excitement in China.

Explosives Brought In.

In his story of the disaster, Mr. Lankester says there had for some time been rumours of an attack on the city by Chinese troops, and because of the fear that the supply of explosives might fall into the hands of the enemy, the local military brought all the gunpowder usually stored outside into the city. The intention was to store it in a magazine on the top of a hill near the North Gate.

The gunpowder was brought in by ox carts, but it was found that the carts could not take it up the hill. Consequently, several thousand pounds of the explosive were stored in a Guild building, pending removal by coolies.

The explosives had been lying in the building for two or three days when, owing to an accident, they exploded at 2 a.m. on the 11th instant. Continuing his story, Mr. Lankester says:

Tremendous Explosion.

At our house outside the South Gate, we heard a tremendous bang, and a small box was blown off the window sill on to the floor. I thought at first that it was a flash of lightning that had struck just near our house, but on looking out of the window I saw a huge cloud of smoke and dust rising into the air, just like an enormous tree, quite symmetrical.

One realised at once that some terrible disaster had overtaken that part of the city. We thought it was probably due to some act of the enemy, who were supposed to be attacking the city, but now it seems it was an accident. I went out at once with Dr. Yew, and we took dressings with us. Dr. Heuei waiting in the hospital to receive any cases that might arrive.

Terrible Sight.

On arrival at the scene of the disaster a terrible sight met our eyes. There were three enormous

ANGLO-AMERICAN ACCORD.

NAVAL PLEDGES HAILED IN WASHINGTON.

A TREMENDOUS STEP.

Washington, July 26. The pledges of the curtailment of Britain's and America's navies, given by President Hoover and Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, are hailed as a happy indication of an approaching agreement on the naval disarmament problem.

Officials in Washington express the liveliest satisfaction in the fact that a remarkable change of opinion towards Britain has manifested itself in official and political circles almost overnight.

Mr. H. L. Stimson, the Secretary of State, described the move as an immense and tremendous step towards naval reduction.

Amid the chorus of approval, practically the only discordant note is the voice of Mr. Fred Britten, the chairman of the House of Representative Naval Affairs Committee, who stigmatises the British move as deceit.

Those in close touch with Mr. Hoover say that the President himself is of the opinion that one effect of his pronouncement will be to end the Chauvinistic talk regarding America and Britain, which President Hoover regards as of paramount psychological importance.

It is interesting to note in this connexion that General Charles Dawes, the U.S. Ambassador to Britain, is reported recently to have advised Mr. Stimson that it something could be done to disarm the "super-patriots" both in Britain and America, a settlement of the disarmament problem would be comparatively simple.—*Reuter's American Service*.

WATER STILL FLOWS IN RESERVOIRS

ANOTHER FOUR DAYS' SUPPLY ON ISLAND.

While little rain was recorded in the reservoir areas yesterday, the streams developed as result of the heavy weekend storms have not yet exhausted themselves.

In the space of the last twenty-four hours, the reservoirs on the island have benefitted to the extent of 16,000,000 gallons—which is four days' supply—bringing the total in storage to 720,000,000 gallons.

In Kowloon, a gain of 6,500,000 gallons has been recorded in the past 24 hours, and the total in storage on the mainland is a little over 344,000,000 gallons.

CREDITS FOR TRADE WITH RUSSIA?

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT IN THE COMMONS.

London, July 25.

An interesting announcement concerning British trade with Russia was made in the House of Commons to-day when Mr. W. Graham, the President of the Board of Trade, answering a question, said that as part of the Lord Privy Seal's employment policy, the Government had decided that the Advisory Committee established by the Acts governing the Exports Credits Guarantee Scheme, should be free as from August 1st to consider applications in respect of transactions with Russia.—*Reuter*.

U. S. AMBASSADOR TO FRANCE.

SENATOR WALTER EDGE IS APPOINTED.

Washington, July 25.

Senator Walter Edge, of New Jersey, (as forecast on Monday) has been appointed American Ambassador to France in succession to the late Mr. Myron Herrick.

Senator Edge, as a Member of the Senate Finance Committee, is helping to frame the new Tariff Measure.

He will take up his new duties in Paris at the end of the present Extra Session of Congress.—*Reuter's American Service*.

EARL BIRKENHEAD WRATHFUL.

LLOYD RESIGNATION "SCANDAL."

DEMANDS INVESTIGATION OF CIRCUMSTANCES.

HEATED DISCUSSION.

London, July 25. A wrathful attack on the Government by Earl Birkenhead, who characterised as scandalous the events leading up to the resignation of Lord Lloyd from the post of High Commissioner of Egypt, marked the closing stages of the House of Lords' discussion of the Blackpool.

The conference decided unanimously to press for the immediate repeal of the Eight Hours' Act, and also in favour of steps to secure a higher standard of living for miners, a higher minimum rate of wages, and a return to the National Wages Agreement, based on the cost of living, and containing a uniform minimum percentage guarantee to all grades of workers in the mines.

The official report says that the Conference understood that the Government would honour their pledges with regard to the working hours of the miners.

In political circles, it is believed that the Labour Government intend to restore the seven-hour day by easy stages. The plan, it is believed, is to bring in a seven and a half hour day by the end of this year, and the seven-hour day at about the time that the Eight Hour Act expires.

Meanwhile, the Government is investigating the conditions of the industry and is making plans for reorganisation.—*Reuter*.

PRINCIPLE OF NAVAL PARITY.

Absolute Equality in All Categories.

AMERICAN DEFINITION.

Washington, July 25. Col. Stimson, the Secretary of State, defining the principle of naval parity as between Britain and the United States, and agreed upon by Mr. Ramsay MacDonald and General Dawes, said to-day that it meant absolute equality of the fighting strength of the Anglo-American fleets, applying to all categories of ships.

Mr. Stimson said the doctrine of parity was a doctrine not of war, but of statesmanship. Its immediate purpose was to prevent two navies building against each other, and to effect instead, a reduction in their respective strengths.—*Reuter's American Service*.

Heads and parts of bodies were to be seen on the ground, and people were heard shouting out that wives and children were buried under the fallen mud walls. Some of the injured were burnt from head to feet, and their clothes had been burnt off them by the flush of the explosion. By the grace of Providence, no fire had broken out.

Child's Escape.

We dressed the less serious cases on the spot, and sent the seriously injured ones to the hospital. Unfortunately it was very difficult to get transport. While attending one case people begged us on all sides to go and see others, the people seemed stupefied, and shouts and tears seemed to stop, or perhaps it was one did not notice them.

In one place, we saw a slight movement of the earth and on digging with my hands I found a child's hand, and the pulse was still beating, so we went on scraping.

After a while we got the child's mother out: she was dead, but the child whom she was sheltering was alive, and apparently uninjured.

Under them we came across the grandmother also alive.

Relief Efforts.

Later we went back to the hospital and worked there until all were treated who had been brought in. The burnt cases were terrible and took a long time to dress.

Earl Birkenhead then rose, and, at the outset, he characterised the attitude of the Government as scandalous, indecorous and unprecedented.

Lord Birkenhead's Attack.

Earl Birkenhead particularly criticised the fact that Mr. Henderson's telegram of July 3rd, to Lord Lloyd had not been obtained from the Foreign Office.

Baron Passfield, intervening, said

that there were certain matters

which could not be produced in the public interest.

Pivot of the Story.

Earl Birkenhead retorted that this telegram was the pivot of the resignation story. It was the duty of Parliament, he added, to investigate the circumstances of the resignation.

He suggested that formal negotiations were actually proceeding between the Government and high personages representing Egypt, without Lord Lloyd being informed, and he asked if the negotiations were to be concluded without Parliament being informed. He hoped

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HIGHER STANDARD OF LIVING.

DEMANDS OF THE MINERS' FEDERATION.

GOVERNMENT PLEDGE.

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THE POPE NO LONGER A PRISONER.

BRILLIANT CEREMONY IN VATICAN CITY.

Vatican City, July 25. Acclaimed by hundreds of thousands of people, His Eminence the Pope this evening issued from the Vatican into St. Peter's Square, thus ending the tradition that the Pontiffs must be prisoners in their palaces, which has lasted since 1870.

Rumours are in circulation that a serious clash has occurred, but no facts are forthcoming from official circles.

The possibility of a declaration of war has again been raised, but officials discount the reports.

Russian Mobilisation.

Shanghai, July 26. According to a Chinese source, the Soviet Government has issued an order for the conscription of Russians in Soviet-controlled territories in the Far East. All Russians between the age of 21 and 45 will be required to enlist.

General Chang Hsueh-liang, head of the Manchurian Government, reports that his troops are digging trenches in readiness for a Soviet attack, while the Soviet troops are understood to be massing near Manchuria.

A Strike Threat.

Following the threatened strike of Russian workers on the C.E.R., the Harbin authorities have decided to replace the dismissed Russians, not with White Russians, but with Chinese employees.

Russian soldiers at Sufenghe are continuing the fortification of the district, adds General Chang. He also states that a number of British, French and United States officials have arrived at Harbin to obtain first hand information regarding the real situation in the frontiers.

SHANGHAI FEARS.

Communist Activity Being

Manifested.

Shanghai, July 26. Shanghai is already experiencing the effects of the announcement from Moscow, published a day or two ago, calling on Communists generally to create disturbances and to call strikes for August 1st.

There are ominous indications that labour troubles are brewing. The signs began to show themselves early this morning when four hundred workers at the International Waterworks went on strike, demanding the reinstatement of several recently discharged.

The action of the trouble-makers follows an increase of wages granted only on Wednesday.

The service will not be seriously affected as the places of the strikers have been filled by an emergency crew of Russians, which has been specially trained and held in reserve.—Our Own Correspondent.

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PARIS COMMUNIST ROUND-UP.

OVER A HUNDRED ARRESTS MADE.

Paris, July 25. The total number of arrests made in the recent round-up of Communists is stated to be 101.—*Reuter*.

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WATER PROBLEM DECISIONS.

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HARBOUR PIPE LINE.

At yesterday's meeting of the Legislative Council, the Attorney General moved the second reading of a Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Waterworks Ordinance, 1903." He said: The water situation has improved so much since this Council last met that it has been decided not to make at present the regulations abolishing the so-called free allowance. It may still be necessary to make these regulations abolishing the free allowance. That will depend on two things, firstly, the rainfall and, secondly, the consumption. It may be that if we get a very dry August—and the minimum rainfall in August is under four inches—we may have to reconsider the making of these regulations. On the other hand, if we get a moderate rainfall but the consumption has risen considerably on account of the relaxation of the restrictions, it may still be necessary to consider making these regulations. It is, therefore, important that economy in the use of water should still be exercised. Hon. members will, of course, understand that if it should be necessary to make these regulations before the end of this current quarter, an event which one hopes will not take place, the new prices contained in the regulations, including the charge for the so-called free allowance, will apply to all water supplied by meter during the current quarter, that is if the regulations are made before the current quarter expires. This temporary proposal, which was dictated by the present emergency, is therefore suspended for the time being and may be abandoned altogether. On the other hand, the present emergency is not over though it is less urgent, and it may even last until the next summer rains. We must, therefore, contemplate the possibility of the introduction of these regulations which have been thus suspended.

Opportunity for Discussion.

I am, however, authorised to say on behalf of the Government that if at any future time, after the present emergency has ceased, any abolition of the free allowance is contemplated, an opportunity will be given to the Legislative Council to discuss the proposal before any actual abolition takes place.

What I have said, Sir, refers to the draft regulations which were published in the *Gazette*. Though they are not to be proceeded with at present, it is proposed to continue the enactment of the Bill. I should explain that there is much in the Bill which is of general importance and which is desirable quite apart from any question of the present emergency or the abolition of the free allowance. As a matter of fact the free allowance could be abolished by the Governor in Council at the present moment even without the amending Ordinance. One thing the Bill proposes to do is to bring the penalties for water offences up to more adequate standards. I think it is generally recognised that the present penalties are inadequate in many cases. It also recognises what has long been the basis of the practical calculation of excess consumption, what I call the "motor reader's quarter." It also makes it possible in any future emergency to make regulations to carry out what perhaps I may be allowed to call the Hon. Dr. Tso's scheme dealing with the water supplies at the street fountains. So in many respects the provisions of the Bill are desirable for general reasons and I submit that the enactment of it should be proceeded with. I beg to move the second reading.

The Colonial Secretary seconded and the Bill was read a second time.

In Committee.

Council went into Committee to consider the Bill clause by clause. The Attorney General—I beg to move that clause 4 be omitted as was explained on the introduction of the Bill and that the succeeding clauses be renumbered. The Colonial Secretary seconded.

The amendment was approved. The Attorney General—I beg to move sub-clause 1 of clause 14 be amended to read "by sections 2, 3, 4 and 5 of this Ordinance." The Colonial Secretary seconded.

The amendment was approved. Upon Council resuming, The Attorney General moved the third reading of the Bill. The Colonial Secretary seconded, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.

TYTAM TUK RESERVOIR.

The Provision of Temporary Catchwaters Urged.

The Hon. Sir Henry Pollock asked:

1. With reference to the statement made by the Hon. Colonial Secretary, at the last meeting of this Council, to the effect that

"In connexion with the Dragon's Back West catchwater, a temporary channel dealing with over 150 acres of the area to be drained by that catchwater is being made and will be completed this month, and such temporary catchwater is nearly one mile in length and will have a maximum capacity of ten million gallons per day."

will the Government (in view of the extreme importance of collecting into Tytam Tuk Reservoir as much rainwater as possible during the present rainy season) consider the advisability of promptly constructing other temporary catchwaters either from the Dragon's Back or Mount Parker or elsewhere which will drain yet further and larger areas in its neighbourhood into that Reservoir?

2. With reference to the Hon. Colonial Secretary's statement at the last meeting of this Council to the effect that "two Engineers have already been asked for," will the Government state on what date those two additional Engineers were asked for?

3. With reference to the following statements of His Excellency the Governor at the last meeting of this Council.

"We propose also without delay to carry the pipe-line across the harbour, a single pipe-line in the first place, because it is really in the nature of an experiment. We are not quite certain of the result, but we are all hoping that it will be a complete success. To construct two pipe-lines will commit the Colony to an expenditure which is unwarrantable in view of the many doubts which still hang over the scheme."

will the Government state

(i) What are the many doubts which still hang over the scheme?

(ii) Is it not the fact that many pipe-lines have been successfully carried over the surface of the bottom of Burrard Inlet, Vancouver, at both the First and Second Narrows?

(iii) Will the Government communicate promptly with the Municipality of Vancouver, with the view of ascertaining by what methods that Municipality has accomplished the laying of pipe-lines across the said Narrows and whether those methods have been successful?

Colonial Secretary's Reply.

The Colonial Secretary replied: 1. It is not considered economical to construct further temporary channels in vicinity of Dragon's Back or Mt. Parker. The channel now under construction is relatively easy and economical owing to the proximity of the principal stream to Tytam Tuk Reservoir. Any other channels constructed as suggested would have to drain into the present channel which has a maximum capacity of 10 million gallons per day. Their principal yield therefore would be lost by overflow and would not reach Tytam Tuk.

2. A requisition for two Engineers for the Waterworks Sub-Department was addressed to the Secretary of State on 22nd March, 1929, and a request was made that the services of Mr. Henderson might be utilized in selecting the officers.

(i) The pipe line is to be laid along the bed of the harbour. It will be exposed to the risk of dragging anchors, and of ships inadvertently dropping their anchors in the proximity of the pipes even though the area is a prohibited anchorage. The effects of corrosion and abrasion have still to be experienced: also the effect of tides upon the shore connections of the pipe line at each end.

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(ii) Numerous submarine water pipe lines have been laid in various places including the place referred to by the member.

(iii) Information from the Vancouver authorities was obtained several months ago and carefully studied, but it was not considered necessary, in view of the information received, to alter the details of the projected scheme for Hongkong.

The experience of the Administration Board of the Greater Vancouver Water District has shown that the laying of pipe-lines across the bed of a harbour subject to strong tides—which are also a feature of our harbour—has serious disadvantages.

Constant movement of sand and gravel by the force of the tides causes serious abrasion of the pipes. Then again pipes are sometimes broken by the hurried casting of ship's anchors in sudden emergencies. This risk of course increases with the steady increase in the volume of shipping.

The Administration Board of the Greater Vancouver Water District is not altogether satisfied with its cross-harbour pipe-lines, and in considering the feasibility of boring a pressure tunnel.

Details of the laying of a pipe line at Guayaquil, Ecuador, where conditions are similar to those of Hongkong harbour have also been received and considered.

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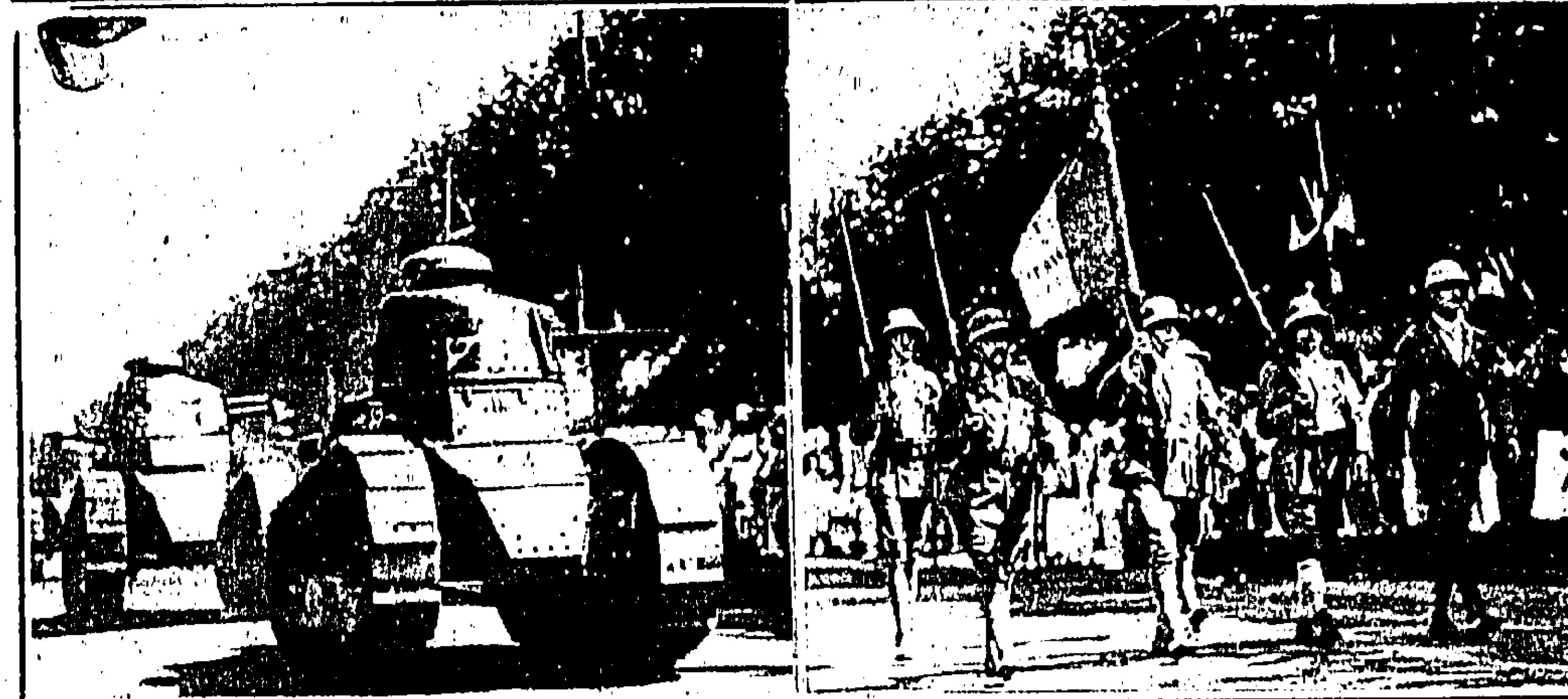
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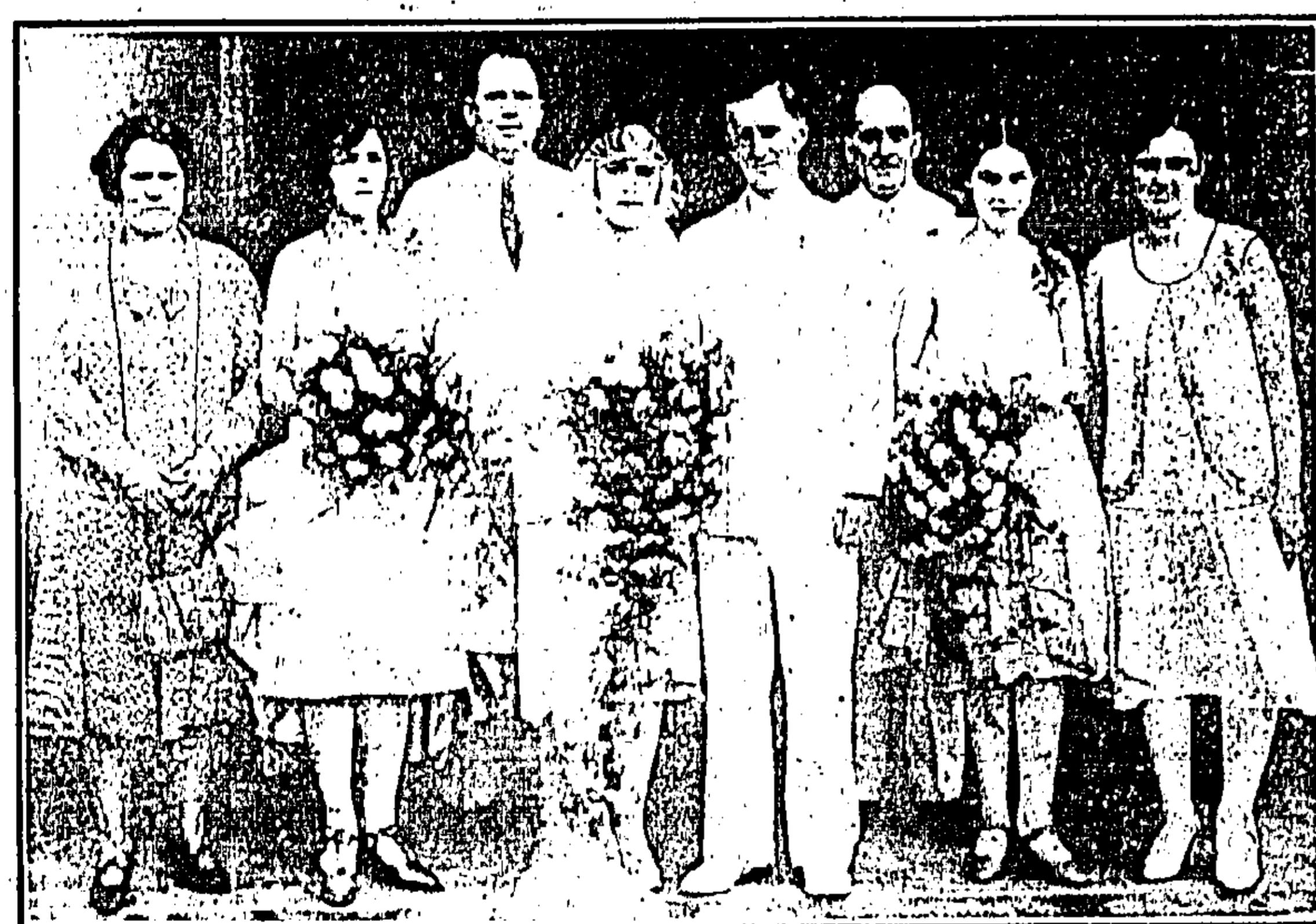
One of the principal events of the Shanghai celebration of Bastille Day was the parade and inspection of the French defence forces, Police, Volunteer and Fire Brigade by Colonel Mallet, French commanding officer, at the French Park. Upper picture shows Colonel Mallet inspecting the colonial infantry. Lower pictures show, left, "whippet tanks" taking part in the march-past, and right, the colour party passing the saluting base.



Miss Eileen Bennett, ready for presentation at Court.



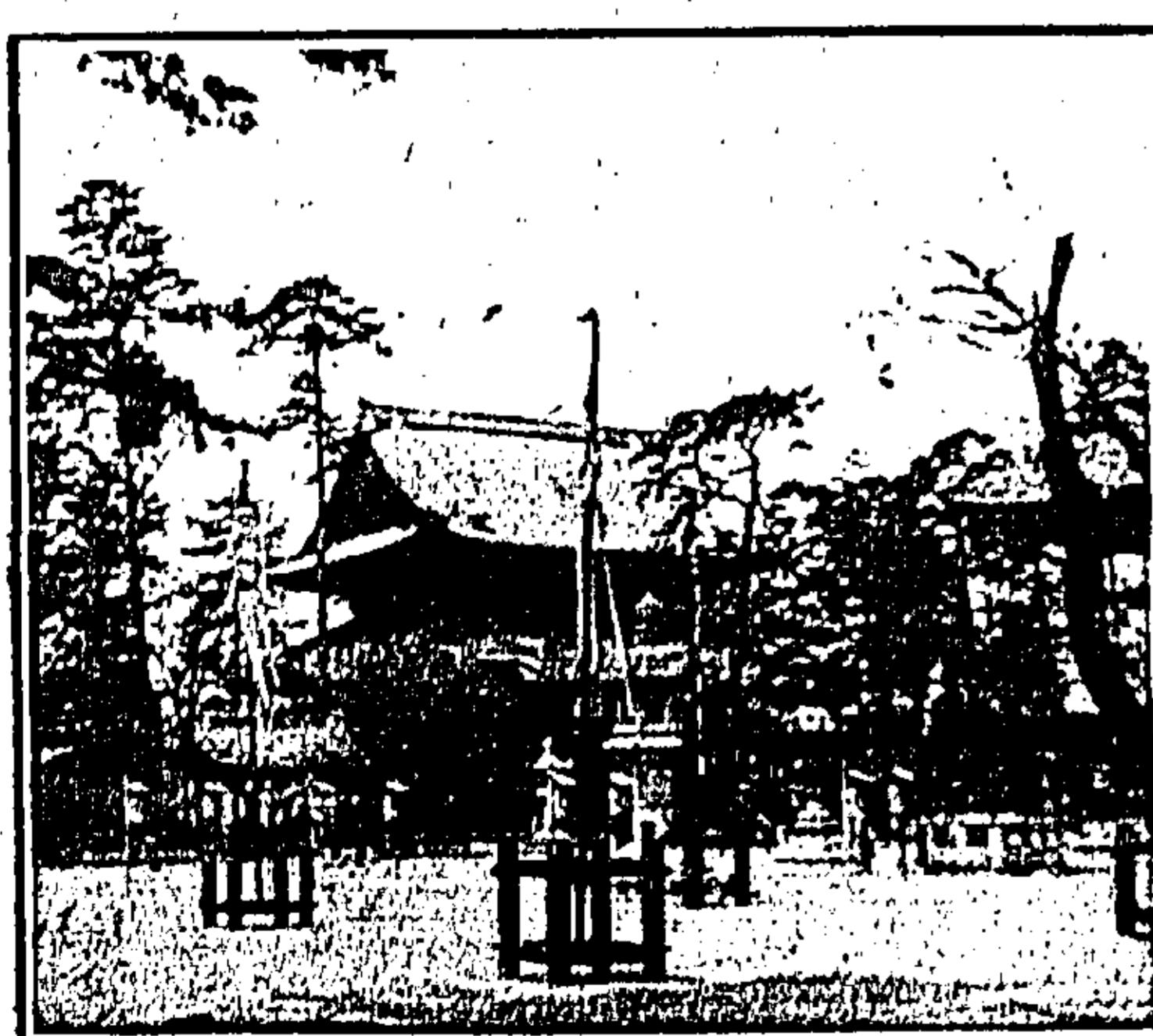
Miss Ishbel MacDonald, who is official hostess at No. 10, Downing Street, during her father's residence.



Group taken after the recent wedding in Shanghai of Miss Olga Motrovelly, of Harbin, and Mr. Klemot Apelsoth, of Douglas, Wyoming.



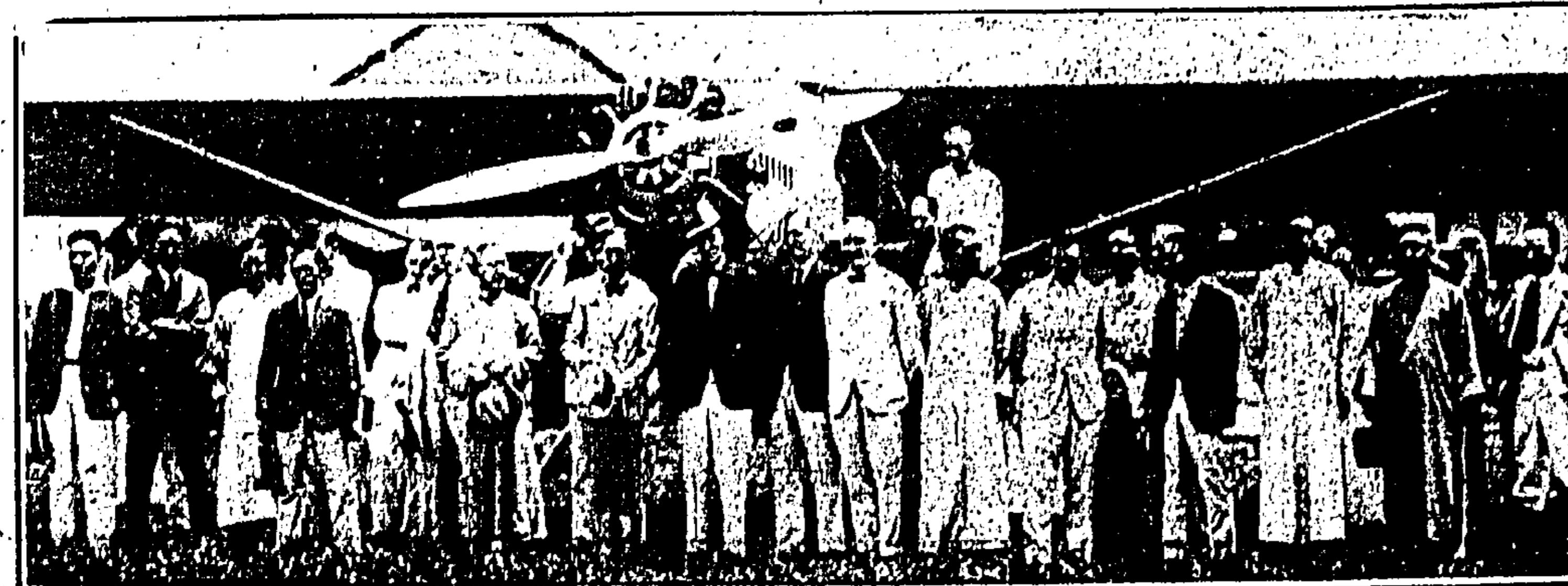
Mr. Henry Ford pictured at White House with President Hoover.



The above picture was taken recently at Kyoto, one-time capital of Japan, showing the famous Chion-in Monastery.



Above is seen the team of the Shanghai Rifle Association which was defeated by 938 points to 936 points in a recent shoot against the City of London Rifle Club. Lt. Matheson, the Umpire for London, is standing on the extreme right.

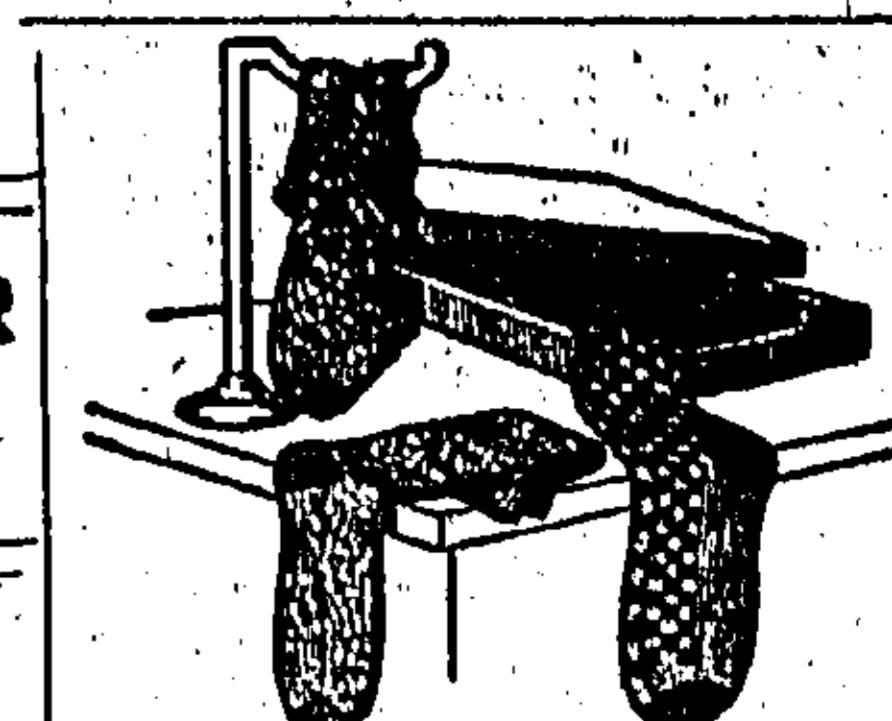


A general view at Hungso recently when the air-mail service between Shanghai and Nanking was inaugurated.



A recent portrait of Mr. Stanley Baldwin, who looks unhappy in spite of his defeat at the polls. Perhaps the pipe provides the consolation.

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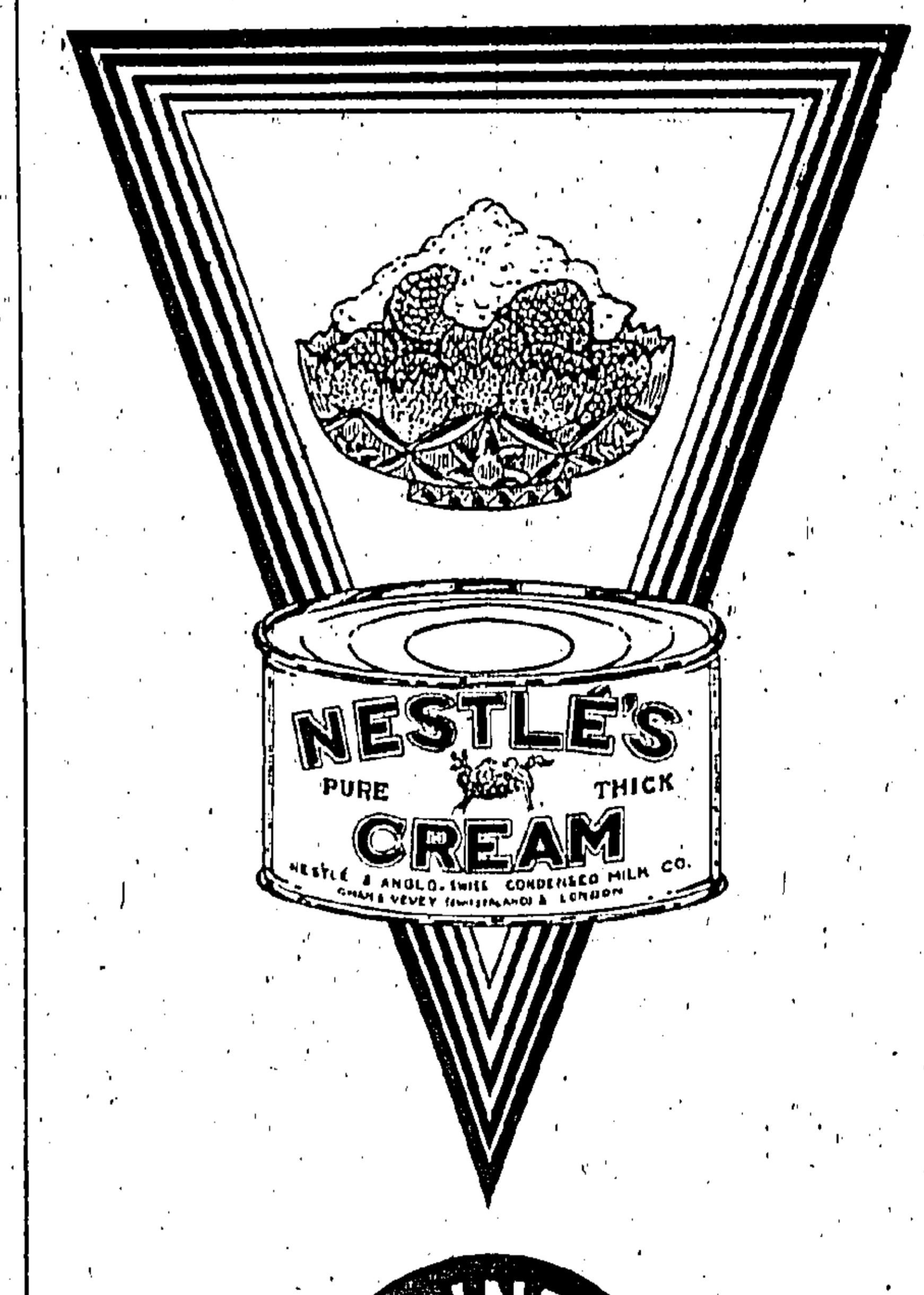
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Particulars and Conditions of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 29th day of July, 1929, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of one Lot of Crown Land at Wong Nai Chung, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 24 years less three days.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. or Sale.	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.	Contents.	Upset Price.
1	Island 153 Qu. 132.	Wing 6, Siu Chung.	As per sale plan.	About 1,160 sq. ft.	\$1,150

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PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. or Sale.	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.	Contents.	Upset Price.
2	Rural Building Lot No. 3, S.	Wanchai Gap.	As per sale plan.	About 1,160 sq. ft.	\$1,150

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Excellency the Governor, of one
Lot of Crown Land near
Prince Edward Road, Kowloon
Tong, in the Colony of Hong
Kong, for a term of 75 years,
with the option of renewal at a
Crown Rent to be fixed by the
Surveyor of His Majesty the
King, for one further term of
75 years.

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Bangkok Narin Fri., July 26, 3.30 p.m.
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K.P.O.

Registration July 26, 4.30 p.m.

Letters 27th 9 a.m.

G.P.O.

Registration 27th 8.45 a.m.

Letters 27th 9.30 a.m.

(Due Marseilles 28th August).

Java via Batavia
Amyo Sat., July 27, 2.30 p.m.
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Shanghai Sat., July 27, 5 p.m.
Agapanor Sun., July 28, 9 a.m.
Bangkok, Amyo and Formosa
Swatow, Amyo and Formosa
Shanghai
Klang Sun., July 28, 9 a.m.
Hexan Maru Sun., July 28, 9 a.m.
Mishima Maru Mon., July 29, 8.30 a.m.
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Parcels 3 p.m.

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Letters 5 p.m.

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Letters 7 p.m.

Fort Bayard, Holhow, Pakhoi and
Haiphong Tonkin Tues., July 30, 1 p.m.
Shanghai and Japan Athos II Tues., July 30, 1 p.m.
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Pres. Grant Tues., July 30, 4.30 p.m.

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Registration 5 p.m.

Letters 6 p.m.

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WOMAN'S WORLD FOR OUR LADY READERS.

Cosmetics.

PREVENTING "BOOTLEG" PREPARATIONS IN AMERICA.

Some cosmetics "would take the paint off an automobile," as a New York dermatologist puts it. A manufacturer who fearlessly inscribes his name and address on a chemical preparation may be regarded as reasonably reliable. So in two countries—France and the United States, they are seeking legislation to prevent anonymous cosmetics. In England most women are cautious. They do not take kindly to any kind of anonymous goods.

In France there seems to be more need to protect women. Paris has now almost as many as London, though the latter is double the size.

£600,000,000 on Complexions.

Bad preparations cause diseases of the skin. I don't think the gross value of cosmetics retailed in England has ever been stated. We are not particularly strong on statistics of that kind, but Americans tell the world that £600,000,000 worth of cosmetics were sold in 1928!

Besides the legitimate trade there has sprung up in America the manufacture, in small laboratories throughout the nation, of "miracle potions" guaranteed to do almost anything. To end this it is proposed to introduce Bills in the State Legislatures which will punish the makers of "bootleg cosmetics."

After the Imposters.

One particularly harmful anonymous preparation is a powder guaranteed not to rub off. If used over a long period lead poisoning ensues, and even in small quantities it may cause eczema or der-



The new felt and straw hats feel the feminine influence of lace. This charming model of eggshell ballbunt has the new lifted brim showing the forehead. Eggshell lace edges the brim and ties in a bow at the back.

matitis. To curtail the sale of the "bootleg" stuff a Bill is now before Congress which provides that no cosmetics may be carried by transportation companies unless the manufacturer's name is on the label.

Similar, though more drastic, legislation is proposed in France. Not only cosmetics, but certain lines of facial surgery may be regulated or condemned. An eminent Paris surgeon declares that it is already illegal "to pluck eyebrows by machinery."

Fashion Notes.

NEGLIGEES AND THE NEW MILLINERY.

Though there has been such a general suppression of pleats and fullness in the modern underwear, they have been allowed to run riot on the garments specially evolved for the rest hour.

For negligee wear, frills and fullness are much in evidence. Pleated georgette frills decorate soft satin, while tulle, similarly treated, is a favourite trimming on graceful crepe-de-chine negligees. Qualities of lace, however, are also much used for this type of garment, the most popular treatment being insertions of the lace in wavy lines or zig-zag patterns.

As regards general colouring for lingerie, the old favourites, coral, salmon, and rose, still hold sway, though some exclusive Paris houses have introduced several variations of orchid shades into their present collections.

With these, coloured lace of a slightly lighter shade than the material is adopted.

Millinery.

Though hats still keep small and, for the most part, brimless, or nearly so, there is a distinct leaning towards a big increase in decoration. In fact, the general movement is most interesting. The rigid conservatism of past seasons is lifted to some extent, and more individuality and originality is evinced.

The "Mephistophelean" type seeks for variation in innumerable ways by means of distinctive trimmings. Felt remains the favourite material, on account of its general adaptability and the ease with which it can be moulded into any shape.

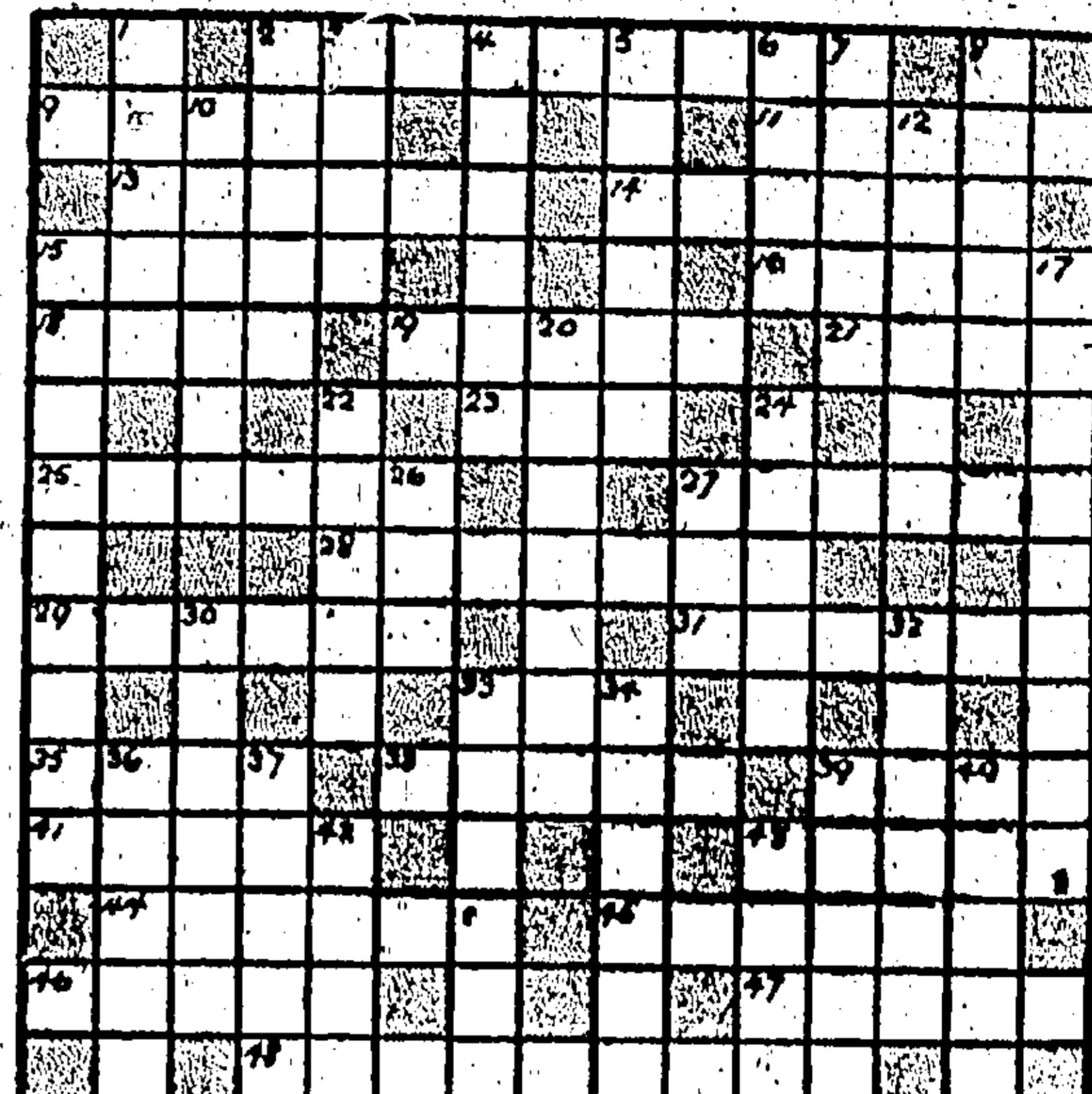
Felt and straw combined are the hats which are much liked for

Bedspreads.

According to one practical housewife, the ideal bedspread for children's bed-rooms is easily washed, and requires no ironing. This qualification rules out linen, lace, silk, rayon, poplin, and a number of other fabrics often used for bed draperies. With soft makes of cretonne and casement cloth, with gingham and with voile, it is just possible to omit the ironing process if the bedspread be well shaken while drying and smoothly folded. Coverlets of heavy flannel not certainly need not be ironed, and they can look very pretty over a backing of casement cotton in orange, cherry-red, chintz blue, or some other hue not easily soiled.

There are, too, bedspreads to be had in a crinkly kind of cotton, which require only shaking out after washing. They are in white, attractively striped with pretty colour, and cost about fourteen shillings for a single size.

OUR NEW BRITISH CROSSWORDS.



Across

2 Planning.
9 Pelt.
11 Having ears.
13 Gau.
14 Piece of meat.
15 Banquet.
18 Host.
19 Insertion.
21 Awry.
23 Sun.
25 Hazard.
27 Onus.
28 Mansions.
31 Usage.
33 Canted.
35 Moisture.
36 High.
38 Examination.
39 Gang.
41 Fairies.
43 Morning worship.
44 Scheme.
45 Put together.
46 Surround.
47 Ancient.
48 Reavers.

10 Closely confined.

11 Smoked.

16 Contract.

17 Woollen Cloth.

20 Comforted.

22 Depository.

24 Melody.

26 Stop.

27 Wager.

30 Persons.

32 Separated.

33 Restraint.

34 Hoodwink.

36 Plant.

37 Crownar.

39 Halls.

40 Ditch.

42 Situation.

43 Debate.

Yesterday's Solution.

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ACUTE	BIER	Z
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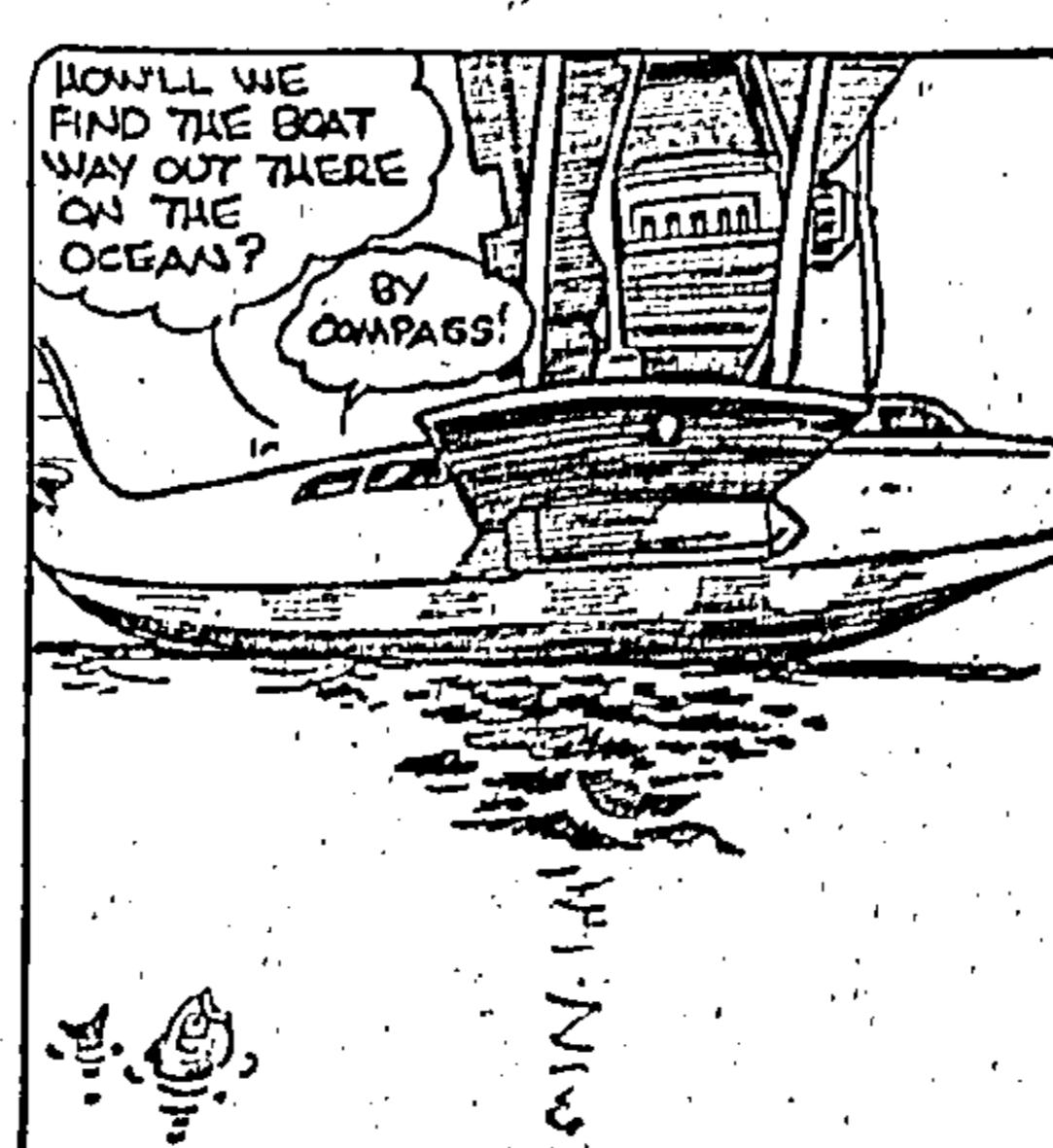
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DEATH.

WONG.—Wong Tin Teeung of Field Cottage, Kowloon City. Funeral will take place at Yat Pit Ting, Kennedy Town at 3.30 p.m. Saturday the 27th instant.

The
Hongkong Telegraph.

FRIDAY JULY 26, 1929.

A GOOD START.

The tide of Anglo-American friendship, which has latterly been subject to so much ebb and flow, now appears to be moving in full flood in the right direction. A great opportunity of translating its wishes into action, in such a manner as will have a permanent effect on the relations between the two countries, has been presented to the British Government, and it is being eagerly seized upon. Whilst it has to be kept in mind that the problem of world armament is not only an Anglo-American one, it is obvious that a preliminary understanding between the two English-speaking nations is essential to a general agreement on comprehensive lines. That fact is fully recognised by the MacDonald Administration, for in the steps which are to be taken there is complete recognition of the point that the other Naval Powers will later have to be brought within the sphere of the conversations.

The disarmament plan is based on two considerations—the demonstration of a pacific attitude, and the saving of money now devoted to non-productive services. The British Government, no less than the American, has given proof of its desire to meet both points. Tangible evidence of this is seen in the suspension of certain naval work announced by Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, and in President Hoover's declaration regarding the delay in the construction of three cruisers. Thus the way has been paved for the consultation between the leaders of the two nations on which such high hopes are pinned. Public opinion in the United States, with certain powerful exceptions, is in agreement with President Hoover in his desire to bring about a practical form of disarmament. There is, admittedly, a widespread and highly organised naval propaganda, but it produces little effect on the masses of the people. We believe that the people of both countries want to see a reduction of naval

armaments in such a manner that "parity" as between Britain and the United States is preserved. The achieving of "parity," of course, does not mean mathematical "parity," since it is clear that the two nations do not need or desire exactly the same kind of fleets. Geography, for one thing, has to be considered. The principle has been agreed upon, and consideration is given to all the factors, witness Mr. Ramsay MacDonald's assertion that the point has been reached without departing from the condition that a measure of elasticity can be allowed so as to meet the peace requirements of the two nations. Above all, it is gratifying to feel that technical considerations are not to be allowed to over-ride the great public issues involved. That is the advantage of statesmen, instead of naval experts, taking this problem in hand.

The way is gradually being paved not only to limitation but to drastic reduction of naval armaments. If fleets not only cease to grow but are reduced in size, many of the other aspects of the general problem of the freedom of the seas will be made less difficult and dangerous, and it is hard to believe that, once the issue is put fairly before them, the British and American peoples will not desire security through small fleets rather than large. There are, of course, reactionary forces in Europe who will do all that is possible to prevent a settlement, but the policy of two nations who wish to give a practical demonstration of the spirit of the Kellogg Pact is one which should find support from pacifically-minded Powers in all parts of the world.

Endurance Test.

Since a group of American Army airmen, testing out a theory in the "Question Mark," broke into a new branch of aeronautics and demonstrated the immense possibilities of the re-fuelling-in-the-air system by flying continuously for a week, the record has been beaten on no fewer than four occasions. One after another, different American interests have sent up their pilots and machines, and achieved better times than the previous performers, the most recent exploit being that of Messrs. Jackson and O'Brien in the "St. Louis Robin," which on Wednesday had maintained continuous flight for eleven days and ten hours, and was still going strong. That at least one person has been killed and others seriously injured in unsuccessful attacks on the record is, perhaps, incidental. No-one doubts for a moment that until the engines of the "St. Louis Robin" come out, or the endurance of her pilots reaches exhaustion, there is no reason why the present flight should not go on for another fortnight. We except, of course, the possibility of orders from the sponsors, who have contracted to pay \$100 for every hour the pilots remain in the air beyond the previous record of some ten days and seven hours. Apart from this consideration, we confess inability to understand the monotonous and purposeless repetition of a feat having no value in itself, however creditable it may be to the airmen concerned. There is abundant justification for the belief that the refuelling system represents a distinct achievement, and offers great prospects in the development of long distance flying services. The actual process of taking on fuel in flight offers no difficulty, and applied to cross-continental aerial systems, or to such services as are controlled by the Imperial Airways between Croydon and India, the likelihood of progress refuses denial. At the same time, no actual demonstration of how the system may be practically applied has been forthcoming. If other American airmen have ambitions, laudable in their way, to set a new mark, we trust their challenge will be combined with some useful experiment, instead of circling round and round a given spot. It would be too much like the giddy limit.

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DAY BY DAY.

THERE IS NO ERROR MORE COMMON THAN ONE WHICH IS TAKEN FOR PROFOUND WISDOM.—Dion.

Two cases of typhoid were notified yesterday, one being British and the other Chinese.

The s.s. Sumatra (Swedish East Asiatic Co., Ltd.), from Hamburg, is due here about September 2nd.

It is now notified that the eight-hour supply of water to the Peak, from to-morrow, will be from 3 to 11 a.m. and from 4 to 7 p.m.

According to an advertisement in this issue, the s.s. Lok Sun, which went aground off Samun Island in the early hours of July 14, will on Monday be sold by public auction as she now lies stranded on the rocks.

Passengers arriving on the Antenor included Mr. F. R. Cope, Mr. G. P. Haynes, Mr. J. D. McEwan, Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Png, Mr. J. Ross-Orr, Mr. Shackleton, and Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Taylor and Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Tate.

From the New Territories village of Un Long, a report has been received that a woman yesterday committed suicide by drowning herself in a pond outside the village. The deceased, whose name is given as Yeung Kui, was 58 years of age, and a widow.

Private G.R. Bowles of the Royal Army Service Corps was yesterday found not guilty by a District Court Martial on a charge of neglecting his duty to the prejudice of good order and military discipline when, as storeman and issuer in charge of the store rooms he was concerned in the care of public supplies and that he had so negligently performed his duties as to cause a loss to the supplies to the value of £254.14.10. Mr. Leo d'Alamara, junior, appeared for the accused.

WATER LEVELS.

FOR WEST, NORTH AND EAST RIVERS.

The following table, compiled by the Board of Conservancy Works of Kwangtung, shows the water levels in English feet on the West, North and East Rivers on the dates named:

	July 24	July 25
Shihking	19.0	23.4
Tsingyuen	—	—
Samsui	11.8	—
Sheklung	7.3	—

The level at Tsingyuen on July 23rd was 11.7.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Hongkong Currency.

[To The Editor of Hongkong Telegraph.]

Sir.—I distinctly heard the cuckoo on the May Road level this morning. Surely this must be a record for the time of year.

May I express my apologies to "Observer," "Pound of Flesh" and "X" for not being able to discuss similar experiences of theirs as I am leaving for Home by the mail?—Yours, etc.

Hongkong, July 26th, 1929.

Sir.—My co-seeker of truth, "Z," is always informative and his letter of yesterday will give me much nourishment, metaphorically speaking, over the week-end. Unfortunately, our discussion has been side-tracked, not to unimportant issues, in an effort to probe this matter to the bottom; but let me persuade him to change his mind by giving his theories as to the cause of the premium on bank notes.

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A "GENTLEMANLY" FIGHTER.

USED HANDS INSTEAD OF WEAPONS.

WINS APPROBATION.

A Chinese who scorned weapons and used his bare hands in a fight won approbation from Mr. E. W. Hamilton to-day as being "gentlemanly."

The only disadvantage to the "gentlemanly" course would appear to be that while two others with whom he fought, were armed with fighting irons, passed through the affray unscathed, he himself suffered a broken head, and appeared in Court with it swathed in bandages.

For the police, Sergeant Hynes said that a dispute arose amongst the workers of the Hongkong Electric Company's power-station at North Point yesterday, and a fight with spanners and bamboo poles on the Shaukiwan Road ensued.

Dispersing the participants, the police were able to make the arrest of three men, who were now before the Court charged with disorderly conduct.

Mr. Hamilton:—It is not our friends the "Fierce Tigers Gang" again, is it?

Sergeant Hynes:—No, your Worship.

Addressing the three defendants, his Worship said:—You people have got to know that you cannot do this sort of thing. I am going to bind you over in a personal bond of \$50 to keep the peace for six months.

Continuing, the Magistrate said:

—No 2 defendant, it seems you have used your hands and were more or less gentlemanly about it. You will be cautioned as well.

"No. 1 and 3 defendants, you went outside of the rules of the game, using weapons like this. You will therefore be fined \$5 or 10 days and bound over to keep the peace."

"You cannot be allowed to be disorderly in any case. If you have to fight, remember that people who use their hands get off much better than those who use weapons."

The defendants went away, evidently impressed with the words of wisdom from the Bench.

THEATRE MANNERS.

PENANG'S LATE-COMERS CRITICISED.

Thus the Penang correspondent of the *Straths Times*.

Throughout Malaya—except in Singapore where they are improving—one hears constant complaints about the theatre manners of the inhabitants. Perhaps it is worse in Kuala Lumpur, where the upper-ten always make a point of strolling in about twenty minutes late, speaking in a loud voice, whatever may be happening on the stage, and generally upsetting all those who have had the courtesy and decency to arrive in time.

It is much the same here in Penang. Directly the curtain goes down there is a rush to get out of the theatre (one sometimes wonders why on earth the people ever came to the entertainment at all). Many go across to the Cricket Club for a drink—for the Town Hall authorities would not dream of trying to make their people more comfortable by placing a bar within the theatre precincts—and those who leave the theatre are nearly always late. During the past week nearly every overture has been completely ruined by the late-comers, and the beginning of each new act has been similarly ruined.

"CASANOVA."

LAVISH PRODUCTION AT THE QUEEN'S.

For lavishness of production, Hongkong has seen fewer finer films than "Casanova," which opened three-day run at the Queen's Theatre yesterday. It is a French production, and comes as a welcome change to the preponderating prevalence of Hollywood locally. There are many respects in which the types differ, but it can certainly be said that "Casanova" is an interesting picture.

Of plot or continuous theme there is very little, for the story is merely a succession of love episodes in which Ivan Mosjukine reveals himself as a regular Don Juan. Occasionally, he reminds us of Douglas Fairbanks, at others of John Gilbert. He is good throughout, and he receives excellent support from a bevy of good-looking ladies. But in reality, the film is a series of banquets, carnivals, and balls, in which everything is done on an impressively ornate scale. Some of the coloured scenes are particularly good.

If the film lacks continuity, it certainly holds the interest of those who see it, and it can be recommended as something distinctly different from the usual run of pictures.

PIGWASH PROBLEM IN COURT.

DIFFICULTY IN ARRANGING A TIME-TABLE.

POLICE TO ENQUIRE.

Before Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, a Chinese was charged with conveying pigwash through the streets at 10 a.m., the hours during which this is tolerated being midnight to 9 a.m.

The defendant pleaded guilty.

In reply to his Worship as to why he was carrying this offensive matter during prohibited hours, the defendant pointed out that the boat did not leave the Hongkong side until 9 a.m., to which the result is that it arrived in Kowloon after the prescribed time.

Sub-Inspector Hoare remarked that the people on the Island seemed to utilise all the time up to 9 a.m. to take pigwash to the junk.

His Worship remarked that he had fined several people for this offence and asked if there was no way of getting at the junk people.

Sub-Inspector Hoare suggested that the carriers could be forbidden to take delivery until mid-night.

Answering his Worship, who asked if the purchasers could not refuse to take delivery of the pigwash unless it was landed earlier, the defendant intimated that they could not take such drastic measures.

He said if they insisted on an early arrival, the junk people might refuse to convey the matter across the harbour.

The defendant thought, however, that if the entire community of pig farmers approached the junk owners, something might be done.

Sub-Inspector Hoare promised to look into the matter, the defendant being cautioned.

CASTLE DESTROYED BY FIRE.

LORD ANTRIM'S ANCESTRAL HOME.

Belfast, June 26.

Glenarm Castle, Co. Antrim, the ancestral home of the Earl of Antrim, was destroyed by fire last night.

Lord and Lady Antrim were in London. Apart from servants, the only occupants of the Castle were the Hon. Mrs. Chichester and Miss Chichester.

The fire originated in a room on the top floor of the western wing and obtained a firm hold on the woodwork before it was discovered.

The Castle staff and the local police, together with the Larne Fire Brigade, fought the flames throughout the night, but with little effect.

An amateur salvaging corps removed valuable furnishings and possessions, and the lawn was covered with portraits, paintings, encravings, the contents of the library, and pieces of furniture.

Massive Glass.

With the exception of some heavy bedroom furniture of an early Victorian type, practically everything of value on the first and second floors was removed.

A treasure chest from a Spanish Armada galleon, wrecked on the Antrim coast, was saved.

The main building was completely destroyed, but the east wing and servants' quarters escaped with comparatively little damage.

The glass in some of the windows was so thick that it had to be smashed with stones and ladders to admit the hose.

Glenarm Castle replaced one built in 1636 by Sir Randal Macdonnell.

COLOUR BAN IN PARIS. MINISTER'S WARNING TO CAFE PROPRIETOR.

Paris, June 26.

The incident at a Montparnasse cafe, in which a foreign diplomat and a member of the Egyptian Royal Family were refused admission to the dancing floor on the ground that the American clientele objected to the presence of coloured races has not been allowed to pass without result.

Two days ago the *Populaire* received a letter from M. Frossard, Deputy for Martinique, to the Minister of the Interior, demanding that steps should be taken. M. Frossard will also put a question on the subject in the Chamber.

It is understood that the proprietor of the establishment in question will be requested to remove the rule (which is contrary to French law) discriminating between one kind of patron and another.

Doubtless with a view not to embarrass the French Government, M. Aleva, the aggrieved Minister of the Republic of Haiti, has not carried out his intention of writing officially to M. Briand and M. Poincaré on the subject.

A similar incident took place last year but was kept out of the papers.

EARL BIRKENHEAD WRATHFUL.

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that the rumour that the document had actually been signed, was untrue. Indeed, it was incredible!

Government's Alleged Folly.

Concluding, Lord Birkenhead said that a minority Government had no right to make bold and novel experiments in the fabric of the Empire, adding that he would use the whole of his instruments to get them from office if they attempted so monstrous an usurpation of the rights and privileges of Parliament.

Lord Salisbury's Views.

The discussion arose from a motion by Lord Salisbury, who described the Government's action in asking Lord Lloyd to resign as an "abrupt change of policy." He hoped the Government would realise the serious shock it had given to the stability of our policy towards Egypt. In view of this dramatic stroke, that had resounded in every quarter of the globe, public opinion, not merely in Britain, but also in the Dominions, was entitled to know the reason. He asked if the Government had consulted the Dominions, and declared the question was a test of capacity of the Socialist Government to rise to the height of imperial problems.

Independence Aim.

Lord Parmoor, replying, reaffirmed the Labour policy of 1924 towards the government of Egypt. He said it always desired, while reserving certain points like international questions and the Sudan, that arrangements should be made to enable Egypt to become an independent sovereign country. As regards internal affairs, and as regards international or foreign matters, the continuity of policy towards Egypt would remain unchanged.

Lord Parmoor asked Lord Salisbury to bear in mind a despatch from Sir Austen Chamberlain to Lord Lloyd on May 28.

Lord Salisbury and Lord Birkenhead demanded that the despatch should be read, but Lord Parmoor declined, and said Mr. Henderson would make a fuller statement in the House of Commons to-morrow, whereupon Lord Salisbury admitted cognisance of the despatch, but said he did not consider it justified the Government's action.

No Discourtesy.

Lord Parmoor denied that Lord Lloyd had been treated with discourtesy or that his resignation had been "provoked."

Lord Reading said he was greatly disappointed with Lord Parmoor's reply, and asked whether it was a fact that there had been no change of policy, firstly as regards the reserved points and the Sudan, and secondly regarding Egyptian internal affairs. Lord Parmoor replied to the first question, "I think so," and to the second question, "A change of procedure perhaps."

Lord Parmoor said that in this, as in other matters, there had been as much communication as practicable with the Dominions and India, but the House must not imagine the Dominions and India were, or could be consulted about the step Lord Lloyd took.

Time did not permit telegraphic communication, and furthermore when a resignation was tendered

SWEEP TICKET APPEAL.

NEW TRIAL ORDERED IN KUALA LUMPUR.

DECISION ON COSTS.

Kuala Lumpur, July 17.

The Court of Appeal ordered a re-trial in the sweep ticket case to-day after hearing Mr. Hastings, for the respondent, who urged that if a re-trial was ordered the appellant ought to be compelled to either deposit the money in court or give security for it.

Their Lordships, while granting a retrial, ordered the appellant to pay the costs of a new trial and costs of the appeal and to abide its result.

The court comprised Mr. Justice Farmer-Manby, Mr. Justice Pritchard and Mr. Justice Stevens.

The appeal was that of Lim Tian Hock, formerly a clerk in the Chancery Monopoly, Kuala Lumpur, against the decision of the Chief Justice, Mr. L. H. Elphinstone, K.C., in awarding damages against him to the extent of some \$30,000 in favour of a Chinese woman named Lim Lian Hui, living at Chow Kit Road, Kuala Lumpur.

Mr. E. D. Shearn appeared for

appellant and Mr. W. G. W. Hastings for the respondent.

The King is sending two Holbein sketches of the More family to a Chelsea loan exhibition of Sir Thomas More memorials.

It was impossible to have a further consultation on the matter.

Lord Passfield added that no regards the reserved points and the Sudan, there had been no change of policy by this Government compared with the declared policies of successive previous Governments. Moreover, the Government hoped to effect with Egypt a relation as regards self-government which successive Governments had repeatedly stated to be their intention.—*Reuter*.

Cairo not Surprised.

Cairo, July 25.

Lord Lloyd's resignation, or "dismissal" as it is termed here, has not created any surprise. The newspapers are convinced that the Conservatives, if they had remained in office, would have asked for the resignation. *Al Ahram* sums up the motives as "the British Government does not wish to have a High Commissioner who governs Egypt directly," and adds that the Egyptians often had occasion to wonder whether Lord Lloyd was carrying out instructions or conducting his own "Lloydian" policy.

—*Reuter*.

Delicate Negotiations.

London, July 25.

The *Manchester Guardian* in an editorial points out that apart from other considerations, Mr. Henderson is engaged in highly delicate negotiations, whose success will partly depend on a fully sympathetic High Commissioner. These negotiations are with Mahmud Pasha, the Egyptian Premier, at present in London, against whom the Egyptian Nationalists were recently conducting intensive propaganda.—*Reuter*.

Seated in the car with a lady-in-waiting was the Queen.

Her Majesty's surprise return to the Palace was the sequel to a breakdown to her own car in Albemarle-street during a shopping visit.

During a traffic jam at the junction of Albemarle-street and Piccadilly the car developed trouble and refused to budge.

To the Rescue.

The chauffeur's efforts to restart the car were in vain, and the Queen got out and stood watching the chauffeur and footmen trying to right the trouble.

A crowd had collected when Mr. Harrison, of Mearns, Harrison and Wilson, whose motor showrooms are in Albemarle-street, asked the chauffeur if he could place a car at the Queen's disposal.

"The Queen overhead me," Mr. Harrison told a *Daily Chronicle* representative and accepted my offer.

As my own car had a broken window and was slightly dirty, I ordered a new car to be taken out, but the Queen told me not to trouble.

"I am sorry I have not a uniformed chauffeur. May I drive you myself?" I asked the Queen. The Queen assented. The footman wished to accompany us to the Palace, but the Queen asked him to remain with the chauffeur. At the end of the journey she thanked me graciously."

LETTER GOLF SOLUTION.

Here is the solution to the puzzle on another page.

DIAL, DILL, FILL, FILE, FIRE, FARE, FACE.

ASKED DATE OF EXECUTION.

STOICAL ATTITUDE TOWARDS DEATH SENTENCE.

SINGAPORE TRIAL ENDS

Singapore, July 18.

The Chinese convict who murdered Warder Dickson in the Singapore Prison on May 11 was sentenced to death at the Singapore Assizes yesterday afternoon by Mr. Justice Denne.

A medical witness said three of the five stab wounds would have been fatal. One, just below the eighth rib, penetrated the lung, the liver, the duodenum, and cut one of the arteries. Another in the left side, below the ribs, went through the abdomen, and touched the left lung.

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appellant and Mr. W. G. W. Hastings for the respondent.

The attack was made with the blade of a shoemaker's scissors—the prisoner worked in the shoemaking department—and under his clothes was afterwards found concealed another weapon. He had returned to work that morning, after serving a month in a lower grade, to which he had been sent as a punishment for hiding away some knives. Warder Dickson had been responsible for his detection, and a statement was read yesterday which accused him of having murdered Warder Dickson because he felt Warder Dickson had not sufficient reason to have degraded him.

At the conclusion of the case for the prosecution, accused went into the witness box and said: "I need not relate the incident. I had the intention to murder the warden."

Mr. C. B. Tan (assigned for the defence) asked, "Why?"

Accused: I have said it already. It is not necessary to mention the reason. I had the intention to murder him and I am prepared to give my life.

Asked by his Lordship whether he had any witness, accused replied: I have no witness, it was I who murdered him.

Accused stepped out of the witness-box and was being led back to the dock when his Lordship had him brought back, and asked him if he had anything more to say.

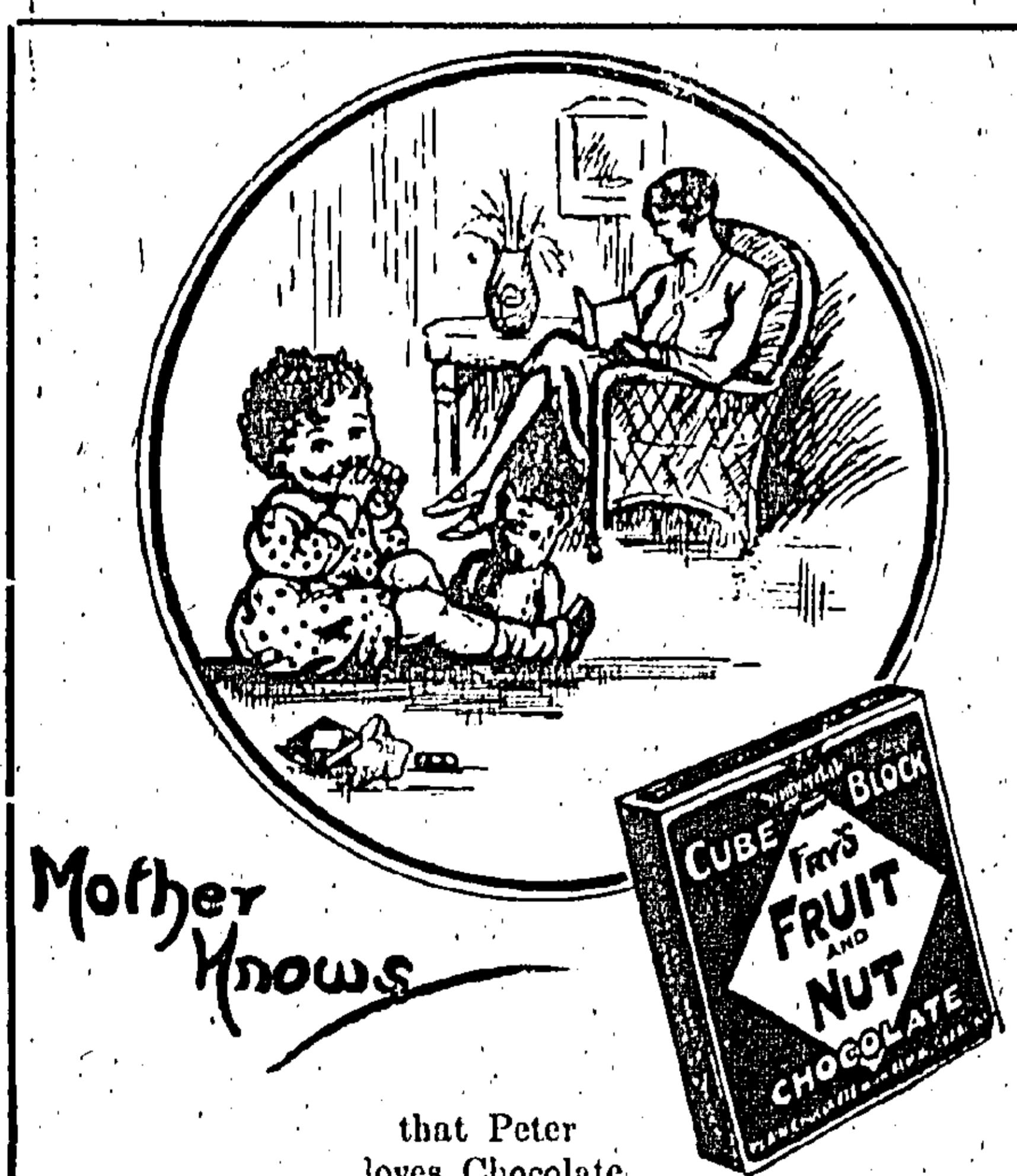
The accused replied

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PRESENTATION TO MR. F. W. BLACK.

HONGKONG FOOTBALLERS TO MEET AT DINNER.

At a meeting of the Council of the Hongkong Football Association recently, it was decided to make a presentation to Mr. F. W. Black, on his departure for home, in view of his services to football generally during his sojourn in the Colony. The presentation is to be made at a dinner to which all Clubs in the Colony are asked to be present. The dinner will be held at Messrs. Lane, Crawford's Restaurant on August 10th, and tickets can be obtained from the Hon. Secretary of the Hongkong Football Association at a price of \$2.50 per head.

Rule Alteration:

An extraordinary general meeting of the Hongkong Football Association will be held in the Association Offices, 4th floor French Bank Buildings, at 5.30 p.m. on Friday the 2nd August.

Agenda:
To consider the following alteration to League Rule 15.—Delete all from the word "A" to "route" in second paragraph and Substitute. "A fee of \$5 will be paid to Referees."

WATER POLO.

LEAGUE FIXTURES TO START SOON.

The Hongkong Water Polo League fixtures for this season are:

First Round:

July 29.—Somersets v. Kowloon "A"; Chinese "B"; K.O.S.B. "B".

July 30.—K.O.S.B. "A" v. Royal Navy; Chinese "A" v. V.R.C. "A".

July 31.—Kowloon "B" v. V.R.C. "B".

Second Round:

Aug. 5.—Somersets v. Chinese "B"; Kowloon "A" v. K.O.S.B. "B".

Aug. 6.—K.O.S.B. "A" v. Kowloon "B"; Royal Navy v. V.R.C. "A".

Aug. 7.—V.R.C. "B" v. Chinese "A".

Third Round:

Aug. 12.—Somersets v. K.O.S.B. "B"; Kowloon "A" v. K.O.S.B. "A".

Aug. 13.—Chinese "B" v. Royal Navy; Chinese "A" v. Kowloon "B".

Aug. 14.—V.R.C. "B" v. V.R.C. "B".

Fourth Round:

Aug. 19.—Somersets v. V.R.C. "B"; Kowloon "A" v. Chinese "B".

Aug. 20.—K.O.S.B. "A" v. V.R.C. "A"; Chinese "B" v. Royal Navy.

Aug. 21.—K.O.S.B. "B" v. Kowloon "B".

Fifth Round:

Aug. 26.—Kowloon "A" v. Royal Navy; Chinese "A" v. K.O.S.B. "A".

Aug. 27.—V.R.C. "B" v. K.O.S.B. "B"; Chinese "B" v. Kowloon "B".

Aug. 28.—Somersets v. V.R.C. "A".

Sixth Round:

Sept. 2.—Somersets v. Kowloon "B"; Chinese "A" v. Kowloon "A".

Sept. 3.—Chinese "B" v. V.R.C. "A"; K.O.S.B. "A" v. K.O.S.B. "B".

Sept. 4.—Royal Navy v. V.R.C. "B".

PERSECUTION THAT ROUSED ENGLAND.

LETTERS FOR BRITISH MUSEUM.

A collection of letters, written in the 1830's, has come into the possession of the British Museum, which threw new light on the historic incident of the Tolpuddle Martyrs. Extracts from the letters are given in the current number of the "Countryman."

She farm labourers protested against having their wages reduced to 7s. a week, and decided to form a "friendly society" to protect their interests.

They were prosecuted at Dorchester Assizes, and sentenced to seven years transportation.

The Combination Laws had been repeated ten years previously, and the little union was legal. But the judge directed that they should be tried under an Act of George III, passed to deal with the Mutiny at the Nore.

An Example:

Sentencing the prisoners, the judge said: "Not for anything you have done, or as I can prove you intended to do, but as an example to others, I consider it my duty to pass this sentence upon you."

The men were hurried to the hulks, but not before the country was stirred, and the Government was compelled to remit part of the sentence.

The letters referred to began with one from a magistrate to Lord Melbourne, then Home Secretary, in which the magistrate says he is informed "that the men are to strike work, and that they are to demand an increase of wages."

He also suggests that the Home Secretary should "issue a proclamation against such a society, or offer some reward for the discovery of the offenders."

SHARE PRICES

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

The following is the list of local share quotations issued to-day:

Banks.

Hongkong Bank, \$1265 s.
Chartered Bank, \$191 b.
Morgan & Co., \$33 n.
P. & O. \$97 n.
East Asia \$901 n.

Insurances.

Canton Ins., \$630 n.
Union Ins., \$326 s.
North China Ins., Tls. 160 b.
Yangtze Ins., \$50 n.
China Underwriters, \$121 n.
China Fire, \$305 b.
H. K. Fire Ins., \$770 n.

Shipping.

Douglas Ins., \$274 n.
H. K. Steamboats, \$247 s.
H. K. Tugs, \$2 s.
Indo-China, (Def.) \$70 n.
Union Waterboats, \$22 n.

Mining.

Benguet, \$310 b.
Kialans, \$2/6 n.
Langkawi, Tls. 141 b.
S'hai Explorations, Tls. 2.75 s.
Raub, \$6.90 b.
Tronoh, 21/- n.

Docks, etc.

Kowloon Wharves, \$127 b.
Whampoa Docks, \$321 s.
China Providents, \$4.30 b.
Hongkong, Tls. 168 n.
New Engineering, Tls. 64 b.
Shanghai Docks, Tls. 138 b.
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China Busen, Tls. 141 b.
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Canton Iron, \$2.10 b.
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Dairy Farms, \$19.75 b.
Watson, \$11.90 b.
Der A. Wings, \$0 b.
Lane Crawfords, \$17 b.
Mackintosh, \$18 b.
Sinceres, \$12 b.

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Amusements, \$26 X. Div. b.
Constructions, \$1.50 n.
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H. K. G. Loan 7% s. Prem.

ATTACK FROM BEHIND.

COOLIE FATALLY STABBED IN BROAD DAYLIGHT.

One of the most daring crimes ever perpetrated in Hongkong occurred yesterday afternoon, shortly after five o'clock, in Cross Street, Wan Chai, when in the presence of a large number of pedestrians a coolie was attacked and fatally wounded with two gashes in the abdomen by an unknown assailant who succeeded in making good his escape.

The coolie, named Yeng Lok-hang, was drinking a bowl of congee, squatting outside an eating house, when a man approached him from behind, stabbing him with a dagger. The victim was suddenly attacked to resist.

The victim, bleeding profusely, endeavoured to walk a few steps, then collapsed. A Chinese attached to the Wan Chai Fire Brigade happened to pass, and assisted the wounded man to the Wan Chai police station, but when they got as far as Tai Yuen Street the coolie collapsed and died. The fireman immediately telephoned to the Police, who arrived and took photographs of the body and of the scene of the attack. The body was then removed to the public mortuary.

It transpired that the deceased lived in Stone Nullah Lane, and it is learned that he had gambled and had a hot dispute with another man the previous night. A fracas followed. It is stated that the dispute originated over twenty cents, which the victim owed the other man.

The assailant is understood to be Northern Chinese, though it is not certain whether he is the same man who quarrelled with the deceased the previous evening.

The Police are seeking a Chinese named Lau Sung-tin, aged 40, tall, of medium build, dressed in old black clothing and probably wearing a bamboo hat. There is an "I" shaped tattoo mark on his upper forearm. An early arrest is anticipated.

The letters referred to began with one from a magistrate to Lord Melbourne, then Home Secretary, in which the magistrate says he is informed "that the men are to strike work, and that they are to demand an increase of wages."

He also suggests that the Home Secretary should "issue a proclamation against such a society, or offer some reward for the discovery of the offenders."

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SHANGHAI "WHEEL."

MEXICANS SENTENCED BY THE PROVISIONAL COURT.

Shanghai, July 25.

Senors Carlos Garcia and Del Valle, the Mexican defendants in the "wheel" gambling case, were each sentenced to one year's imprisonment and a fine of \$2,000 by the Provisional Court, this afternoon.

Notice of appeal has been lodged.

Judge's Alleged Prejudice.

Shanghai, July 25.

Following Provisional Court convictions, Garcia and Del Valle, who were each sentenced to one year and fined \$2,000 in the roulette cases.

The hearing is opening tomorrow of the case of Santos and Fournier, who were involved in the raid on No. 8, Yates Road, which the defendants are charged with managing. It is understood that the defence intends to demand a change of venue on the grounds that Judge John C. H. Wu is prejudiced, the sentences imposed to-day being held as proof of this.—Our Own Correspondent.

BRITISH BANK RATE.

FEARS OF RAISING BY THE BANK OF ENGLAND.

London, July 25.

The recent efflux of gold from the Bank of England is engendering fears of a raised bank rate, and lends significance to a speech by Mr. Snowden at a bankers' banquet at the Mansion House last night.

He declared that finance and industry, like scissars, must work together; and said they must continue to trust the Bank of England to deal with the present monetary situation, but must be able to count on the best support of other financial institutions.

He appealed to the City houses to exercise caution in regard to foreign lending, where exchanges were unfavourable to Britain, and hoed the present position would be tided over without an increase in the bank rate, the psychological effect of which at present would be injurious to trade and enterprise.—Reuter.

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RIVAL WIVES

By Anne Austin.

Author of "The Black Pigeon."

CHAPTER XLVI.

Not realizing that she was already far too late, Nan went directly to her husband where he was at work in the library, his desk cluttered with notes and transcripts of testimony on the Black-hull case. The prosecution had rested at four o'clock. Morgan was to open the defence of David Black-hull, charged with the murder of his father, the next morning—Wednesday.

But it was not the Black-hull case of which Nan had to speak.

"John," she said, in a deeply calm voice, "I think you had better go across the street to see Iris tonight."

The man's startled eyes searched her tightly composed face. "I'm very busy, dear, but certainly I'll go—for a few minutes—if you really wish it. Naturally it distresses me to think of her alone over there, crippled."

"I am not thinking of her," Nan interrupted coldly. "I'm thinking of Curtis. I can do nothing. You must realize how my hands are tied." Her voice trembled slightly as she made this first reference to the incredible situation in which Iris had placed her. Then she went on, calmly again: "But I love Curtis—very dearly, I can't stand by and see his health ruined. I want you to exact a promise from Iris not to give him a bite of anything to eat. Otherwise, John, Curtis' visit to his mother must be stopped, or—"

The man's face went even paler, more haggard than it had been, under his wife's intense serenity. Slowly he raised a trembling hand and passed it over his eyes, then he nodded slowly. "You're right, of course.... I'll go at once. And thank you," Nan, for having the courage to—. He broke off abruptly, kissed her awkwardly but tenderly, and turned sharply away.

"It hurts—awful," Curtis gasped, trying pitifully to smile.

"Let Nan see," she begged tenderly. "Stretch out for just a minute, if you can, darling."

The child obeyed, but could not repress another scream. Almost before her gentle fingers had touched his abdomen, the little body was drawn into a knot again.

He was gone less than half an hour. The first thing that Nan's questioning eyes noted was a smudge of white powder on the left lapel of his dark-blue funnel coat.

"Iris—it will be all right, dear," he said with assumed cheerfulness. "Now, are you too tired to go over a few points of the Black-hull defense with me?"

"Of course not," Nan answered. "Did she promise unconditionally, John?" At his stiff nod, she laid an apologetic little hand upon him. "I don't mean to pry, dear, but—I'm dreadfully worried. I hope—it isn't too late."

The next morning her terror of the night before seemed a little absurd. Curtis ate a hearty breakfast, and looked almost normal. Later Nan was to reproach herself bitterly for not having suspected the truth. But she saw him off to school, almost light-hearted because of the fervour of his goodbye hug and kiss. If she had salvaged Curtis' love out of the wreckage, all was not lost.

Whether it was because he was pathetically determined to please Nan or whether he really had an appetite for his dinner that night, Nan never knew, but he ate his vegetables and stewed fruit, drank his milk, and chattered happily, in apparently the best of health and spirits.

Morgan was gravely elated over the re-establishment of an *entente cordiale* between himself and his son and his wife and his son. It was a jolly, almost boisterous hour, one which Nan was later to try to live again in memory.

There was even a game of anagrams after dinner, in spite of the fact that Morgan was avid to be at his desk. A dozen times later, Morgan groaned, in agony: "Thank God I played that game with him. If I had to remember now that I refused—"

But it was Nan who remembered, with a shudder, that Curtis had triumphantly "stolen" the word, head, with the letter T, making it death.

After she had put the child to bed, she returned to her husband, with a worried frown. "His cheeks feel awfully hot, John. Maybe I ought to call Dr. Black—"

"Nonsense!" Morgan retorted. "He just got too excited over winning three games in succession. He's sharp, as a razor, isn't he, Nan?"

"He's—wonderful!" Nan agreed, with a catch in her voice. "You'll be very proud of Curtis some day, John."

"Morgan, Morgan & Morgan, eh?" the lawyer chuckled, his deep-set black eyes very soft. "But in the meantime, Morgan & Morgan had better do the best they can for David Black-hull. Now—what do you think? Would you advise putting old Edgars on the stand first thing tomorrow morning? I did not cross-examine him when Brainerd was using him, you know;

didn't want to spill the beans prematurely and give the lovely widow, Nina Black-hull, too much warning as to which way the cat will jump."

Nan knit her brows. Then, "I believe, John, it would be better to put Nina herself on the stand first. You've subpoenaed her as a defence witness, haven't you?"

"Black was to serve her this evening," Morgan replied. "I believe you're right as usual, honey. Better make a grand-stand play, with Nina as our unwilling star witness. Then we can call old Edgars and his daughter, Mary, to prove the sensational charges against Nina which she will perjure herself to deny. Now, let's make a rough draft of the questions I'll put to Nina."

They were hard at work. In the close harmony which had always marked their professional association, when a shrill scream, like the howl of an animal in pain, penetrated their absorption, brought them both to their feet in terror. The clock in the drawing room had just chimed 11.

"Curtis!" Nan gasped, as two short, yelping screams quickly followed the first.

"Maybe the poor little fellow is just having a nightmare," Morgan suggested, but there was panic in his eyes, too, as he followed his swiftly running wife up the stairs.

They found the child rolling in agony upon his tumbled bed, his fists pressing frantically against his abdomen, his black eyes wild with pain and terror.

"Phew for Dr. Black, then run to the garage for Maude," Nan lunged over her shoulder to her husband as she reached the bed. "Stomach-ache, darling?" she asked the child, taking care, even in her terror, not to excite him.

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Hongkong, 11th March, 1929.

LEAVING TO-MORROW.

A Y.M.C.A. FAREWELL TO MR. P. SANDS.

Mr. P. Sands, M.A., the assistant secretary of the local Y.M.C.A., Kowloon, is leaving Hongkong by the Suwa Maru tomorrow for England where he will be ordained into the Church of England. Members of the Association said goodbye last night when they and their friends were present at dinner and at a presentation made on the roof of the building.

Speaking on behalf of the members Mr. A. White said Mr. Sands had held the position of assistant secretary for three years and had proved himself both competent and popular. He had been a great help to members of the Association in sports, social activities and spiritually had made a marked impression at the Quiet Hour. He had shown that example was better than precept and as a sportsman had always played the game. In social activities his cheery personality had compelled people to take a bright view of life.

Personal Influence.
In the absence of the President, the Hon. Sir Henry Pollock, K.C., the presentation to Mr. Sands was made by Mr. W. L. Patten, Vice-President of the Association who said Mr. Sands had taken a prominent part in all the Association's activities. He had great personal influence and capacity for friendship and the members were losing a real friend. He had also largely interested himself in the religious life of the Colony, more especially at St. Andrew's, but he had always been ready to help elsewhere. He sincerely hoped that in years to come Mr. Sands would return to work in Hongkong.

Mr. Patten then made the presentation which consisted of a model silver junk, a travelling clock and a despatch case.

Expressing thanks Mr. Sands said his three years at the Y.M.C.A. had been very happy ones. He hoped the spirit which prevailed in the Y.M.C.A. would continue its growth and that the Association would prosper spiritually, in sport and in social service.

Opening his case, Mr. Butters said that on July 8 the girl was taken away from her father's cargo boat by the first defendant, to the third defendant's passenger boat where she spent the night with the second defendant, the mistress's son.

It was rather obscure what the first defendant did, continued Mr. Butters, who said that this man had been instrumental in arresting the other two. He was alleged, however, to have taken the girl away.

The first defendant was up till the time of his arrest working for the girl's father while the second defendant had been formerly employed on the boat.

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STUPEFYING SMOKE.

EXTRAORDINARY STORY TOLD BY CHINESE GIRL.

An extraordinary narrative was related by a young Chinese girl at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday afternoon when she appeared as the complainant against two men and a woman who were charged with harbouring her without the consent of her parents. The first defendant was also charged with kidnapping.

In her evidence the complainant told the astounding story that she had been rendered unconscious for a period of seven or eight days merely by the first defendant blowing some smoke into her face. She was entirely ignorant of what had taken place during the time she was supposed to have been kidnapped.

Mr. H. R. Butters, Assistant Secretary for Chinese Affairs, conducted the prosecution.

The first defendant denied both charges while the other two admitted harbouring the girl, whose age was given as 16. The second defendant said that the girl had been kept on him and had wanted to live with him.

His Worship pointed out that unless he had the consent of the girl's parents the fact that the girl was willing did not excuse the girl.

No Consent.

The defendant replied that he had not got the consent of the girl's parents and was not aware that it was necessary.

The third defendant said that she told the girl to leave the boat but she had refused.

No. 30/29 Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps orders by Lieutenant Colonel L. G. Bird, D.S.O., O.B.E. Commandant.

Hongkong, July 26.

1. Sports Sub-Committee Meeting. There will be a meeting of the Sports Sub-Committee on Monday, 29th July, at 5.45 p.m. at Corps Headquarters.

2. Corps Band. There will be a full Band Practice on Tuesday, 30th July, at 5.30 p.m. at Corps Headquarters, dress uniform.

3. Motor Cycle Section. Monday, 29th July. All ride parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. for Road Exercises. Dress: Muff.

4. Mounted Infantry Company.

Thursday, 1st August. Parade at Kildonan School at 5.30 p.m.

5. Scottish Company.

Pipe Band. The Pipes and Drums will parade at Corps Headquarters at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, 31st July, for practice.

In order to bring the Band up to strength, arrangements have been made for holding classes in Piping under Pipe Major Mackie.

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Nov. 13	Nov. 16	Nov. 19	Nov. 21	Nov. 30		
Nov. 27	Nov. 30	Dec. 3	Dec. 5	Dec. 14		
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KOWLOON TONG ESTATE.

GOVERNMENT REPLIES TO MR. J. P. BRAGA'S QUESTIONS.

AN INQUIRY REFUSED.

His Excellency the Governor (Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G.) presided at yesterday's meeting of the Legislative Council.

A Misprint.

The Colonial Secretary said:

I desire on behalf of the Government to express my regret that the honourable the Senior Unofficial Member should have been misled in his remarks in Council on Thursday last regarding the Shing Mun Water Scheme, by a misprint which had inadvertently crept in to Sessional Paper No. 4 of 1929. The telegram from the Secretary of State reading as follows:

"With reference to the Shing Mun Scheme second section, I agree to the details being worked out immediately, as it is obvious that this will be required before long in any case."

was dated the 19th October, 1928—the fact that the date was given in the Sessional Paper as the 19th of October, 1925 did not come to my notice until it was referred to by the honourable the Senior Unofficial Member last Thursday.

Kowloon Tong.

The following questions were asked by the Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga and replies furnished by the Colonial Secretary with reference to the Kowloon Tong Estate.

Question. What are the respective dates and amounts of the premium paid for Crown land leased to the Kowloon Tong and New Territories Development Co., Ltd., under Clause 5 sub-sections (a), (b) and (c) of the Agreement dated 26th October, 1922, between the Government and the Company?

Answer. Only the 1st payment of one-fourth of the Premium, viz. \$106,149.78 under clause 5, sub-section (a) of the agreement has been made. This payment was made on the 16th January, 1925.

Under clause (b) of Clause 5 it is provided that one-fourth of the total amount due on the Kowloon Tong property shall be paid on the date of the notification in writing from the Director of Public Works to the Company. Notification was duly made by the Director of Public Works to the Company in a letter dated 11th April, 1928, to the effect that the entire area of the Kowloon Tong property had been formed to the approved levels in accordance with Clause 4 of the Agreement and the Company was called upon to pay into the Colonial Treasury a sum of \$106,149.78 being one-quarter of the premium due on the property.

The Treasurer repeated this demand for payment on the 10th May and received a reply from the Company to the effect that this Company is not at present in a position to pay the premium demanded.

The Treasurer sent reminders but payment has not yet been made.

Land Premium.

Question. Is it a fact that there is still owing by the Company to

the Government a sum of \$318,450.14 as the balance of land premium?

Answer. When the whole scheme has been completed Government will under sub-clauses (b) and (c) of Clause 5 of the Agreement be entitled to receive in all a sum of \$315,827.22.

Question. In view of the fact that about one-sixth of the estimated total cost of land and building is paid by each out of the 242 subscribers to the Scheme upon its signing the Agreement with the Company, and before any actual work is commenced, what is the explanation for the large sum stated in Question 2 being still unpaid to Government in respect of land premium?

Answer. This explanation can only be given by the Company.

Question. Has the Government knowledge of a circular letter, dated 2nd July, 1929, issued over the signature of the Managing Director in which the sum of \$2,990,258.49 is stated as the sum "which represents the total amount payable by the entire body of Subscribers under their respective Agreements, in respect of all the houses embraced within the Scheme," i.e., the Kowloon Tong Estate Scheme?

Answer. On 18th June last the Government was informed by the Kowloon Tong and New Territories Development Company, Ltd., that it proposed to issue a circular of which a copy was enclosed.

In this draft circular the sum mentioned is \$3,210,218.49 and this circular may possibly correspond to the circular mentioned by the honourable member.

This communication by the Company was taken by the Government for notification and merely acknowledged.

Managing Director's Post.

Question. Is it a fact that the signatory of the letter referred to in Question 4 besides being the Managing Director of the Kowloon Tong and New Territories Development Co., Ltd., is also the paid architect of the said Company and a Director of the Hongkong Excavation Co., Ltd., with which the Contract for the carrying out of the scheme has been entered into by the Kowloon Tong Company?

Answer. The Government has no official information on this subject.

Question. Between the period when the last Managing Director left the Colony early in 1925 and the appointment of the present incumbent to the office on 22nd May, 1929, is it not true that no Managing Director existed, and this being the case to whom did the Government look for the fulfilment of the Agreement of 1922 during that period?

Answer. The Government has no information as to changes of management of this Company. The Government looks to the Company for the fulfilment of the Agreement of 1922 during that period.

Question. Was the Government cognisant of the fact that for the carrying out of a scheme involving in the end a sum of nearly \$2,000,000 (irrespective of the Government share) there was registered a Company with a capital limited to a liability of only \$20,000 of which not more than \$2,000 was actually paid up?

Answer. Government was cognisant of the formation of this Company but has no information as to the amount of its paid-up capital.

Question. Was it considered prudent to vest in a Company the right and power of absolute control of a scheme involving a few million dollars in its execution when its only visible capital was a sum of

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Hongkong, 24th July, 1929.

JAVA PACIFIC LIJN.

From SEATTLE, SAN FRANCISCO and LOS ANGELES.

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"MODJOKERTO"

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\$2,000 with shares paid up to the extent only of 10 cents each?

Answer. In financing this scheme the amount of paid-up capital was relatively unimportant. The important point was for the Company to obtain the confidence and support of a requisite number of subscribers and thereby justify the very costly preparation of a large tract of land for building.

Question. Was any and what Government supervision exercised over the Company in the carrying out of the Company's obligations towards the Government in terms of the Agreement with the Government?

Answer. It is not clear to what obligations of the Company towards Government the hon. member refers. A reply will be given when this question is put in more definite form.

Payments by Purchasers.

Question. Is it not a fact that up to the 31st December, 1924, the following (Continued on Page 11.)

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Taiyo Maru ...	Wednesday, 7th Aug.
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Fushimi Maru ...	Saturday, 10th Aug.
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Kaga Maru ...	Wednesday, 21st Aug.
Tango Maru ...	Wednesday, 25th Sept.
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Nagato Maru ...	Saturday, 27th July.
Tama Maru ...	Sunday, 11th Aug.
SOUTH AMERICA (WEST COAST) via Japan, Honolulu, Los Angeles, Mexico & Panama	
Bokuya Maru ...	Monday, 19th Aug.
SOUTH AMERICA (EAST COAST) via Singapore, Capetown & Ports	
Binga Maru ...	Friday, 9th Aug.
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Kako Maru ...	Sunday, 25th Aug.
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KOWLOON TONG ESTATE.

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lowing aggregate payments had been made by individual purchasers:—

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2nd Call ... 127,800
3rd Call ... 76,400

\$1,307,125

representing 18.62%, 21.27% 4.27% and 2.55%, respectively, of the total cost of \$2,000,258 up to date?

Answer. The Government is not concerned in this matter and has no information.

Question. If the reply to Question 10 be in the affirmative, what reason is there for a sum of over three hundred thousand dollars for land premium remaining unpaid to the Government, when the Government had already been informed that \$550,925 had been collected from the subscribers?

Answer. The answer to this question is not within the knowledge of the Government.

Question. What steps is the Government taking to recover the debt from the Company?

Answer. The Agreement with Government provides that any balance of premium must be paid before Crown Leases are issued. A Crown Lease of each lot will not be issued until the premium in respect of it has been paid.

No Information.

Question. Is the Government aware of the fact that, in respect of land for which the Company contracted to pay the Government about \$400,000, the Company is already and had been for several years in receipt from the subscribers of over \$500,000?

Answer. The Government has no information on this subject.

Question. Is the Government aware that in the Circular letter referred to in Question 4 the Kowloon Tong Company has given notice to all subscribers calling for the payment of a further Call to the extent of 9 per cent. of the amount covenanted to be paid by each and every subscriber in respect of each and every House on the Estate which will make a total of 10% of what the Subscribers covenanted to pay?

Answer. The Government has no information on this subject.

Question. Has the demand for payment been made with the knowledge and consent of the Government? Did not the Company write in to the Government subsequent to 1924 sending a list of Subscribers who have fully paid up all monies in respect of their property under the scheme and calling upon the Government to issue Crown Leases for same in terms of Clause 7, sub-section (a) of the Agreement?

Answer. From time to time since 1924 the Company has furnished to the Government certificates under Clause 7 of the Agreement to the effect that certain persons were the respective purchasers of the lots and buildings mentioned in the certificate and were the proper persons to whom a Crown Lease should be granted in respect of each lot and that they had one and all paid to the Company under their contract.

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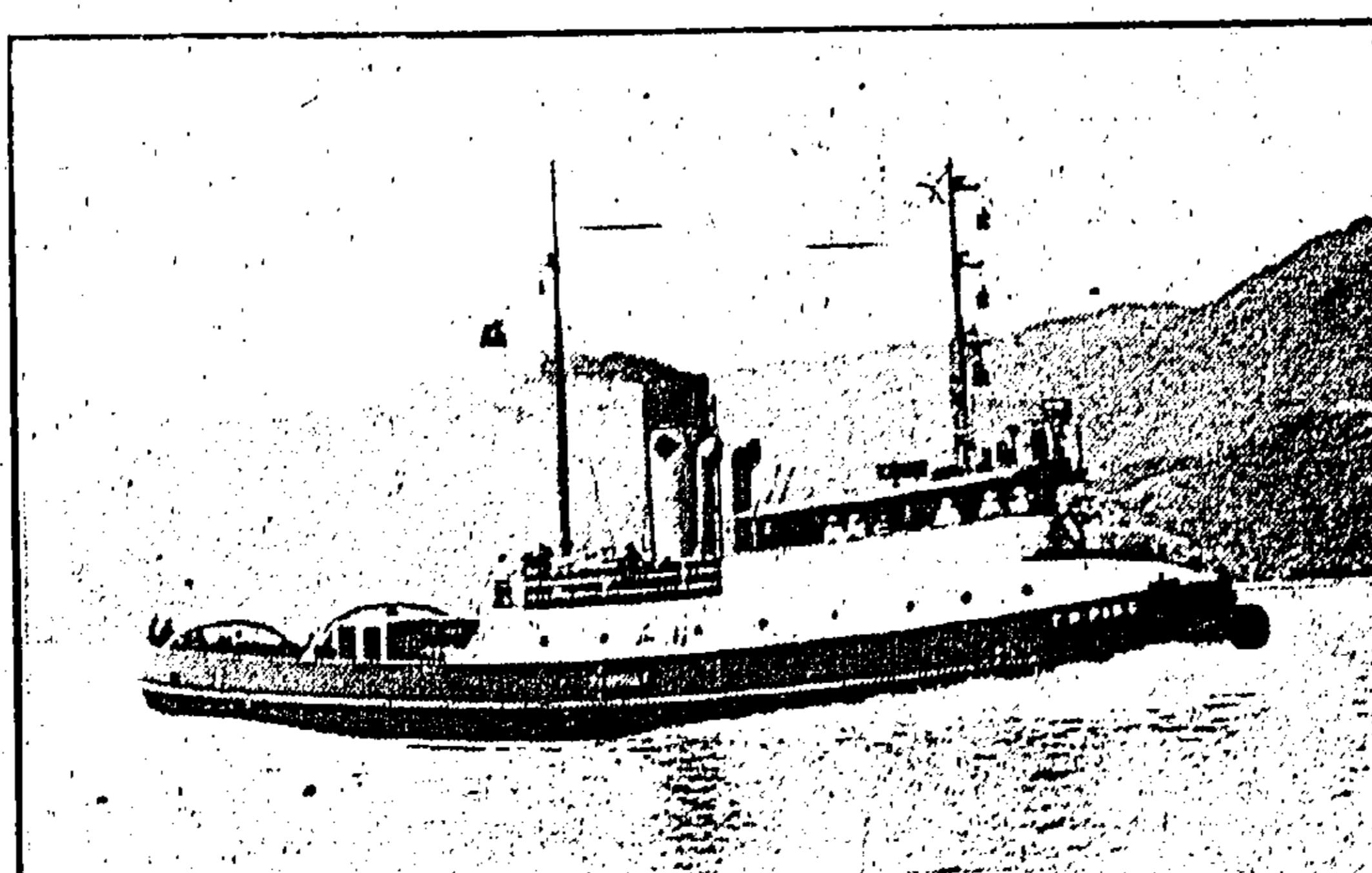
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All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays and Fridays between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and noon within the free storage period.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 31st July, will be subject to rent.

All claims against the Steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 14th Aug., or they will not be recognized.

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No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 29th July, will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 10th August, 1929, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 27th July, at 10 a.m., by Messrs. Godard and Douglas.

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LEAGUE TENNIS.

UNIVERSITY GO DOWN TO THE L.R.C.

The postponed match between the Ladies' Recreation Club and the University in the Mixed Doubles League was played off yesterday afternoon, on the Chinese R. C. courts, the L.R.C. winning easily by eight sets to one. Scores:

T. W. Chong and Miss Kwok (University) lost to G. W. Sewell and Mrs. Parsons 2-6; beat Capt. Ellerhong and Mrs. Beaman 6-4; lost to Dr. J. H. Montgomery and Mrs. Miles 2-6.

G. de Souza and Miss G. Ho Tung (University) lost to Sewell and Mrs. Parsons 3-6; lost to Ellerhong and Mrs. Beaman 4-6; lost to Montgomery and Mrs. Miles 1-6.

E. V. Khoo and Miss Perry (University) lost to Sewell and Mrs. Parsons 0-6; lost to Ellerhong and Mrs. Beaman 1-6; lost to Montgomery and Mrs. Miles 0-6.

Mercantile Banknotes.

An Ordinance to amend for a further period, the powers granted by the Mercantile Bank Note Issue Ordinance, 1911, to the Mercantile Bank of India, Ltd., to make, issue, re-issue and circulate notes in the Colony, passed all remaining stages and became law, on the motion of the Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton seconded by the Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall.

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CHINESE FLIGHT FAILURE.

GENERAL LIU RETURNS TO TAI SHA TAU.

HAS ENGINE TROUBLE.

Canton, July 26. General Liu Piu-cheun, Chief of the Aviation Bureau of the Provincial Government of Yunnan, who took off yesterday morning at 7.55 from the Tai Sha Tau Aerodrome, for a non-stop flight to Nanking, has had to return.

His machine, named "The Golden Horse," had been in the air an hour and a half when engine trouble developed, and he decided to turn back. He hopes to effect repairs and again start out on his trip in a few days.

General Liu was accompanied by a pilot and mechanic. "The Golden Horse" is a Ryan monoplane, which has been specially fitted with floats instead of wheels and it took off from the river in front of the aerodrome.

General Liu was to fly in a direct line and hoped to reach Nanking in under eight hours. He has been in Canton for some time and his departure has already been postponed a number of times.—*Our Own Correspondent.*

EUROPEAN RESIDENTS' LOSSES.

THREE CASES OF THEFT REPORTED YESTERDAY.

Thefts from three local residents have been reported to the police.

Mrs. Koch, the wife of Dr. W. V. M. Koch, yesterday informed the police that, on opening a trunk in her bedroom, she discovered that a cloak had been stolen from it. The article, which is of black satin and lined with ermine, is valued at \$250. The date of the theft is uncertain, beyond the fact that it occurred somewhere between November last, when the cloak was put away, and yesterday, when it was discovered to be missing from the box.

Mrs. E. J. Othen, of 15 Cameron Road, Kowloon, has lost a permutter, which, she informed the police, must have been stolen from the hall sometime between noon and 4 p.m. yesterday.

The loss of a pair of trousers worth \$25, has been reported by Mr. A. Laughton, of No. 11, Cameron Road, Kowloon. Mr. Laughton says the theft was committed yesterday.

MARINE COURT.

BOATWOMAN'S EXCUSE REPUDIATED.

Charged before the Hon. Commdr. G. E. Hole, R.N., at the Marine Court this morning with mooring her sampan within 150 feet of the Government Slipway at Yaumati, the mistress of the craft pleaded guilty, but stated that she had been engaged by Government painters for work near the slipway and in consequence, she thought she was allowed to remain there.

The head painter, in evidence, denied having engaged the defendant. He had seen her before, he said, but he certainly did not engage the defendant's craft.

Defendant was fined \$5 or five days.

The steersman of a cargo boat also appeared before his Worship this morning on a charge of dumping rubbish into the harbour without a permit.

Sgt. Oliver said the Police had received complaints from the Director of Public Works, and also from the Sanitary Department on this matter. As a result, a special look-out had for some time been kept.

A fine of \$15 with the alternative of two weeks' imprisonment was imposed.

WOMAN'S FIND OF OPIUM.

TAKES HALF POUND TO POLICE STATION.

Frightened by the discovery of half-a-pound of contraband opium in her house, a woman, named Hui Kiu, living at No. 8, Gillies Avenue, yesterday took the drug to the Hung Hom Police Station, where she turned it over to the Inspector.

In a statement handed in, the woman says the opium was found hidden in a shop counter, apparently belonging to a tenant who occupies the front cubicle.

SOUTH AFRICA WIN EASILY.

DURHAM GIVE POOR BATTING DISPLAY.

ENGLAND TEST TEAM.

London, July 26. In their "holiday" match, prior to the Fourth Test, South Africa defeated Durham by an innings and sixty runs. Durham gave a weak batting display in both innings, scoring only 183 runs for the loss of 20 wickets.

Batting first, they were sent back for 112, McMillan taking five wickets for 43. In response, South Africa made 243, H. G. Owen-Smith scoring 102 in a splendid exhibition, while Howell took 5 wickets for 74 runs.

South Africa disposed of Durham for 71 runs in their second innings, winning as stated.

England has suffered a severe setback in the injury to Maurice Tate, who strained a leg muscle against Derbyshire yesterday. His absence means that England will lack the service of both their most famous Test bowlers, Larwood and Tate.

Presumably, Hendren, who is twelfth man, will fill the vacancy, though the team would thereby appear to be weak in attack. Geary and Freeman being asked to bear the brunt, with R. E. S. Wyatt, Bowley, Hammond, Woolley and Leyland as changes.

The probable England team is: A. W. Carr (captain), R. E. S. Wyatt, Sutcliffe, Bowley, Hammond, Woolley, Leyland, Hendren, Freeman, Geary, and Duckworth.—*Reuter.*

YUNNANFU HORRORS.

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Secretary, a catholic priest and myself with three Chinese to represent the Famine Relief Association at a meeting that the Mayor was calling in the evening.

When our Committee finished we went out with some coolies, who had been engaged by us in road building and we had hurriedly sent for, and a started to work to dig up the buried.

Ghastly Work.

This was ghastly work. We found corpses buried five or six feet down terribly injured and disfigured. Already we have recovered 135 corpses.

We had one party digging and trying to find the wife of a man whose house had been blown down. We worked all day and it seemed impossible to find the corpse in the mud heap that marked his house.

Next morning, we still went on searching, and finally having dug down 8 feet or so we found her, and to our amazement she was still alive after being buried for 2½ days. She was sent to our hospital and last night was able to talk, and seems to be recovering. Nearly all the others must have been killed instantaneously.

All the hospitals are full, some 700 families are being cared for in temple buildings etc., and others are getting temporary shelter in the houses of friends and relatives.

Others are still hanging around the scene of the explosion, unwilling to leave before the bodies of their loved ones are recovered, or unwilling to lose their few possessions that are still buried.

Fear of Attack.

Over all hangs the fear of an attack on the city at any time. Sandbag defences are in the streets, trenches are dug, and machine guns are in position.

All the philanthropic organizations in the city have been united under one society, to do what can be done to help the people. The Society composed of these bodies and the government departments is under an Executive Committee of the members of which Mr. Arnold of the Y.M.C.A. and myself were elected to form part.

Dead and Injured.

Since Thursday till to-day (Sunday), we have had little rest, committees starting late after the relief work was done, and going on late into the night. The Chinese gentry, especially those in the Benevolent Society composed of wealthy old Chinese Confucianists, have done wonderfully.

Rev. Fu has given a fine lead to other Christians. Everything is getting organized now so that the city is doing practically all that it can, under the existing circumstances, and with the available resources.

It will be a few days before we can get our detailed investigation finished and have accurate figures of the dead and injured, but there must be some 300 dead, at least, I should estimate.

MORE DETAILS OF MURDER.

VICTIM NOW IDENTIFIED AS A NOTORIOUS CHARACTER.

ASSAILANT IS HELD.

An official report issued this morning, amplifies the details, given elsewhere in this issue, of the affair at Cross Street yesterday, when a coolie was attacked and fatally injured with a dagger.

It is stated that the alleged assailant, who is also a coolie, named Young Kwai-tin, living at No. 3, Bullock Lane, was arrested soon after the attack, and will be charged with murder in due course before the Magistrate.

A comparison of finger-prints has identified the dead man as being a notorious character who had been expelled from Singapore for life. A similar order was effective against him in Hongkong.

The man who is now being held by the police on the capital charge is also stated to be a banishee, who had returned here without the permission of the authorities.

NO SENSE OF GRATITUDE.

ROBBED FRIEND WHO GAVE HIM LODGINGS.

A Chinese, residing at Telegraph Bay, appeared before Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, as the complainant against a "friend" who was charged with stealing several articles of clothing from a man.

The defendant denied the charge.

According to Sub-Inspector James, the defendant was given shelter by the complainant until such time as he found employment, but on Wednesday the defendant disappeared. At the same time the complainant missed several articles of clothing belonging to him and to his son.

The defendant was later arrested whilst boarding the train.

After hearing the evidence, his Worship registered a conviction and described the defendant's actions as a poor return for the hospitality extended to him by the complainant. His Worship said the defendant had no sense of gratitude.

Sentence of two months' hard labour was imposed.

FRONTIER TENSION.

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He concluded: "We are now awaiting Moscow's indication of their attitude toward the suggested procedure, also an indication of the possible date of the opening of the negotiations."—*Reuter.*

AEROPLANES FIRED AT.

A State of High Tension in the Manchurian Area.

Tokyo, July 25.

A report from Manchuli says the Chinese fired on five Soviet aeroplanes which came over the city at seven in the morning. Later, distant sounds of gunfire were heard.

The *Nichi Nichi* has a special despatch from Manchuli stating that the Chinese and Soviet forces opened fire on each other when sixteen Soviet aircraft appeared over the city at six in the morning, throwing the town into confusion. Later, there was gunfire, which died down at ten in the morning. It is believed to be due to Chinese excitability, causing them to fire into the air.—*Reuter.*

OCCASIONAL RAIN.

The Royal Observatory reports that a weak anticyclone lies over Japan. Pressure is relatively low in a trough extending from Tongking across the Philippines to the Pacific. A depression has developed about 250 miles south of Hongkong. It will probably move westward. The forecast till noon to-morrow is: East winds, fresh; cloudy; occasional rain.

For Belgium's independence celebrations next year the Belgian Aero Club is organizing an international air meeting.

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